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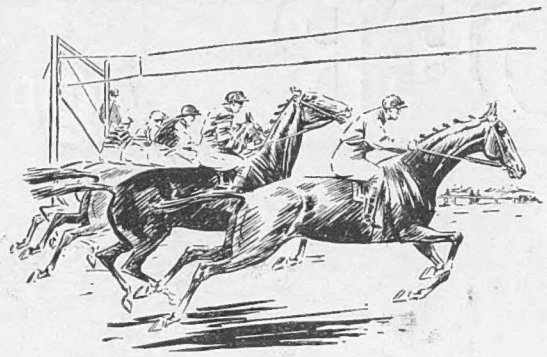

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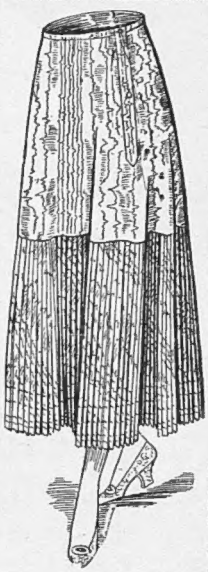

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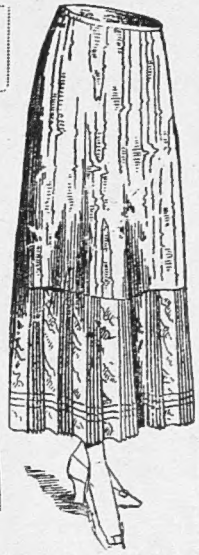

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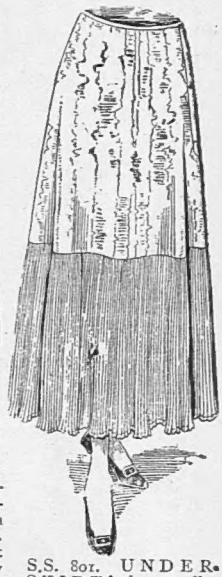

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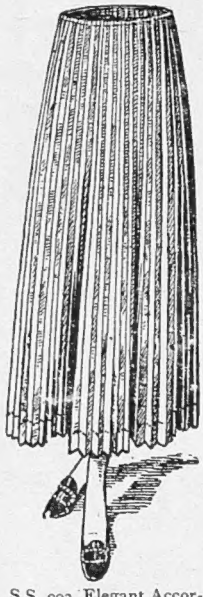

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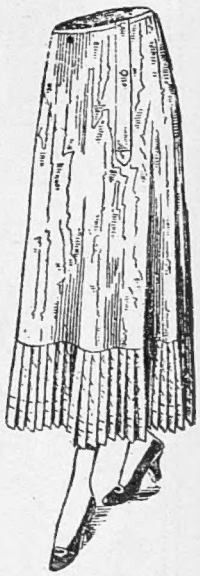

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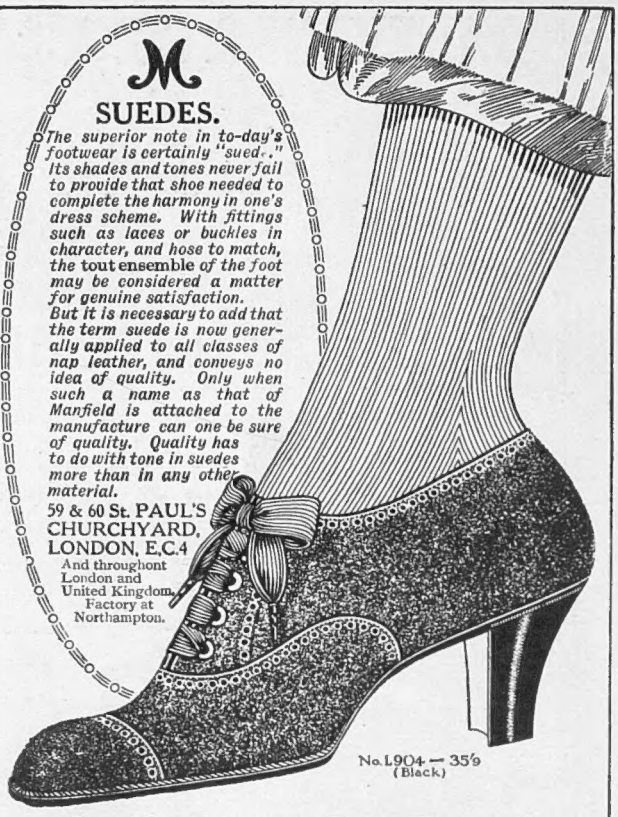

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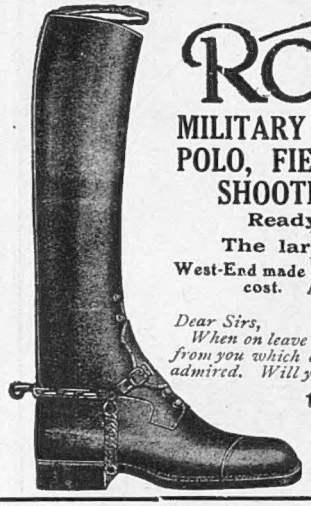

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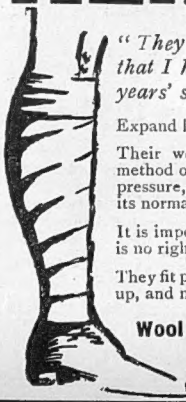

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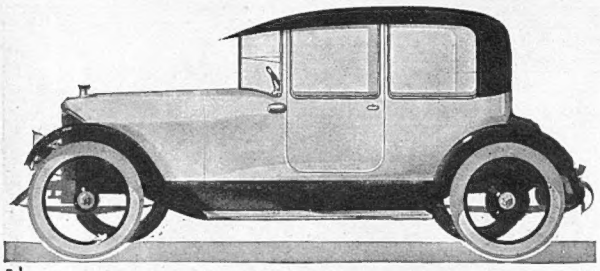

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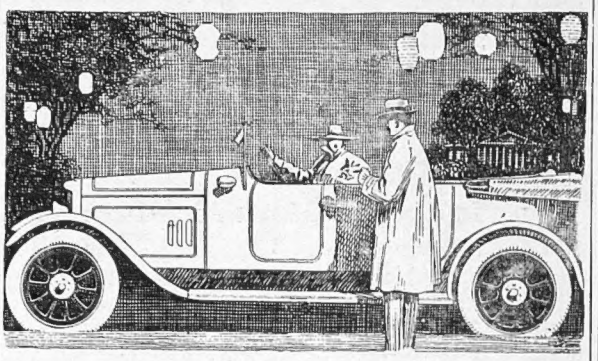

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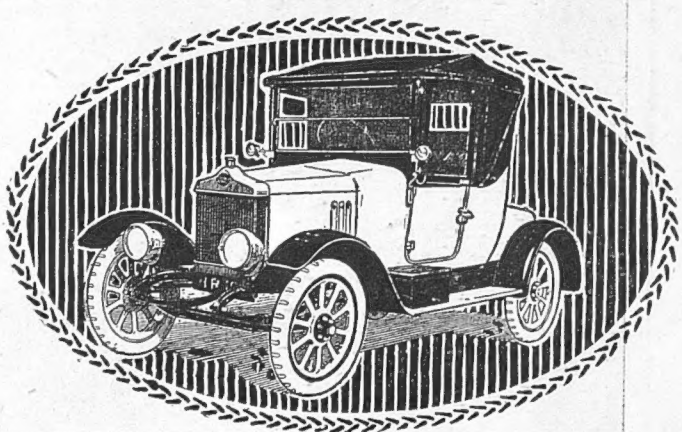

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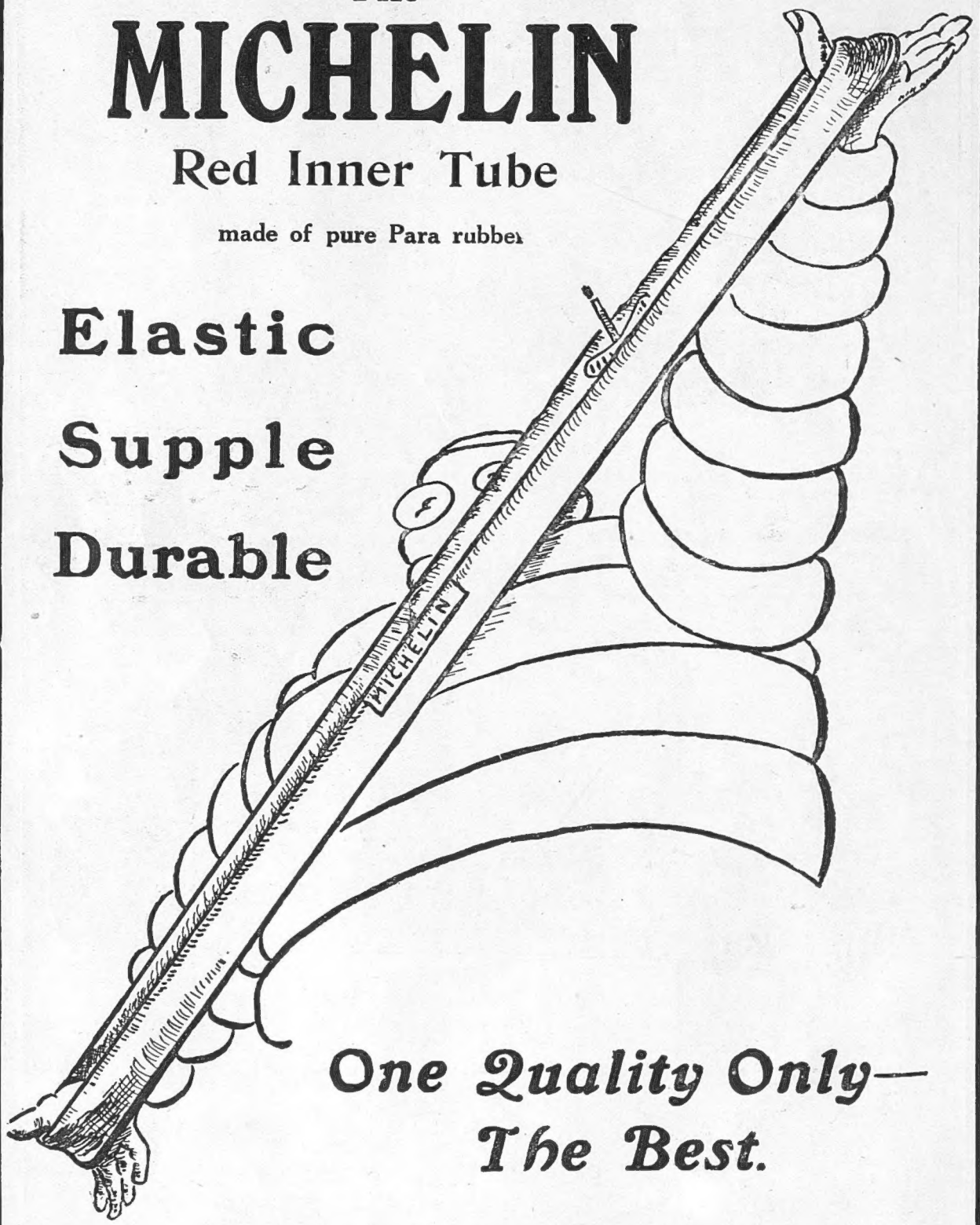

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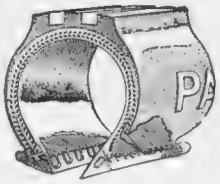

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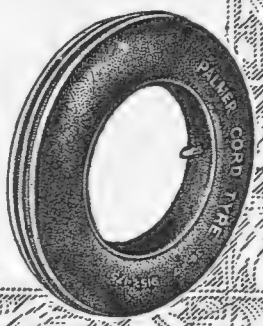

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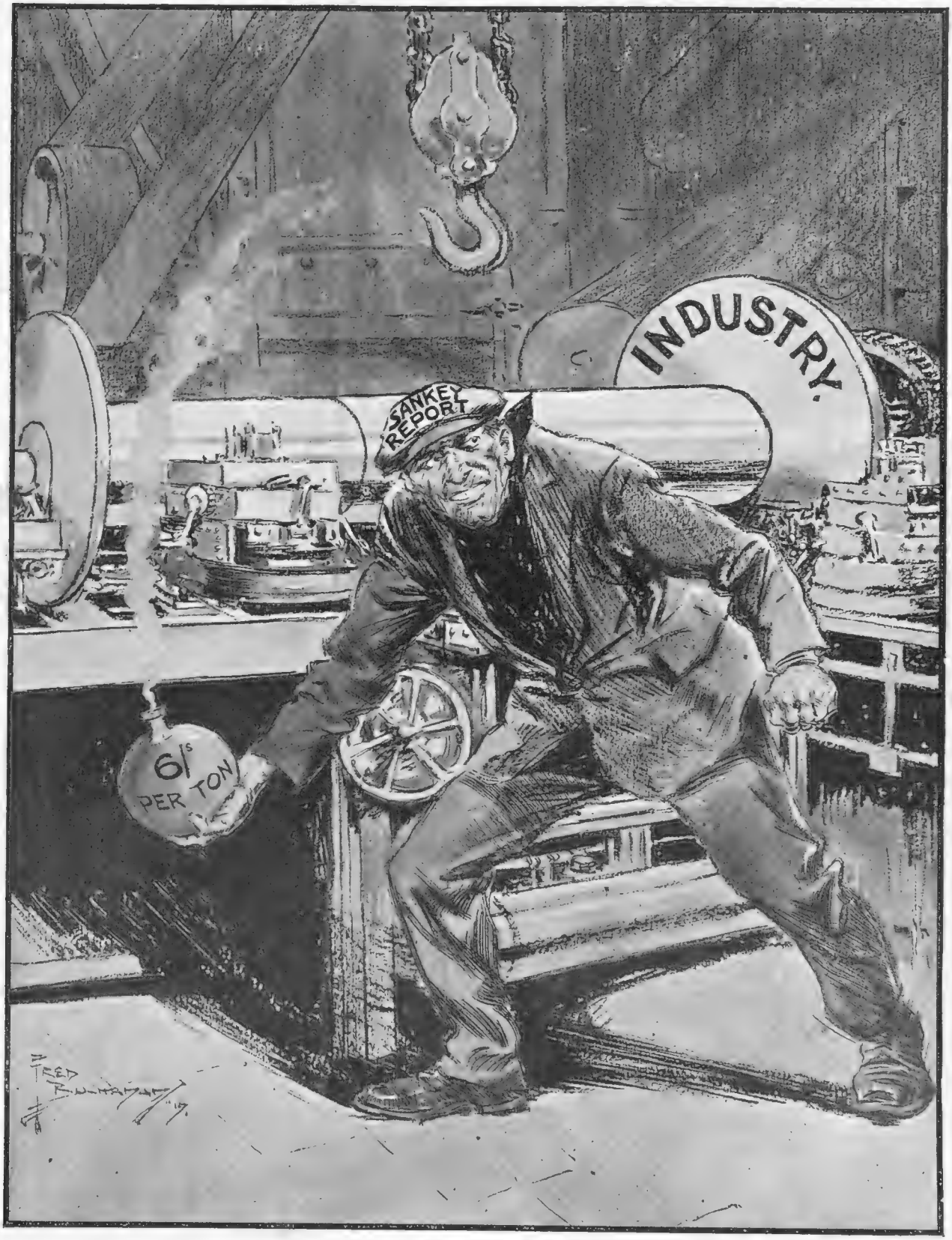

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BYSTANDER COMMENTS

"Celebrations"—

THOSE of us who, on Saturday, did not happen to shout, wave flags, struggle in tubes and out of 'em, dine and sup at extravagant rates, and jazz well into the early hours of Sunday morning, have only ourselves to blame for not having been, so to speak, "in the movement." If we likewise have our stars to thank for the fact, that is our own affair, and certainly not that of a vast Press, which had for a fortnight or more been goading us on to a day of giddiness on July 19, a day of crush and heat and a night of whirling excitement. The fact is that real true popular rejoicing is a spontaneous thing, a matter of the moment, and you can no more force it into life than you can grow peaches out-of-doors at Archangel. The real thing happened on Armistice night, and that, as far as spontaneous popular joy is concerned, was the end of the War—as, indeed, it virtually was (always excepting, of course, the hundred-and-one sideshows, which still continue, unhappily of necessity, on all too many fronts). But the very fact that it has been found necessary to advertise the Joy-Day and Joy-Week to the extent that has been done is clear proof of a general lack of enthusiasm on the part of the public.

—And "Celinebriations"

THE fact, therefore, that our peace celebrations on Saturday—morning, afternoon and evening—could not be fairly termed "celinebriations," is not one on which Mr. Pussyfoot and his gang of overpaid intriguers can justifiably congratulate themselves. The procession processed—at least half of its route on the Surrey side of the river, the observant reader will have noticed, and if at the same time he should write knowingly, I think perhaps I might be inclined to flutter an eyelid in response!—the jazz bands crashed, the crackers cracked, and the rockets rocketted and I've no doubt there was many a heavy head on Sunday morning, which was not due by any means to any part of that ten thousand dozen or so of champagne which came ashore at Dover early in the week. But now it's all over—including the shouting—and I'm quite sure that everybody is thoroughly glad, with the exception, perhaps, of any budding Sir John Oxton, who may, last week, have established a corner in bunting, flags, or window seats in the Kennington Road. And so, in the name of common sense, let us get on with the Peace!

EVERY DOG HAS HIS DAY

King Coal Again

HEAVEN knows there's enough trouble ahead of us, politically and industrially, to prevent us being anything but quite painfully sober for a long time to come! Coal, for instance. There are still quite a lot of things the public ought to have set before them by the experts before the Sankey report is acted upon. For instance, does the present cost per ton of this commodity (which would appear soon to be about to rival even cabbages in comparative costliness!) include the cost of its own control? And what, if you please, would the eventual cost to the consumer be of nationalised coal, including the cost of that control, plus miners' wages, plus the expenses of the Government Department that would deal with it, plus the interest on the capital outlay that would be necessary in order properly to compensate the owners of mines and royalties thereof? Whatever it is, the public will have to pay it, either directly for coal itself or indirectly by way of taxation.

BYSTANDER COMMENTS (continued)

"Pussyfoot" Diddlebury

"WELL, Didd," I asked, "and how did they take 'Pussyfoot' in West Diddleshire?"

"I don't know what you mean," replied the Liberal in his best ex-House of Commons manner.

"Oh, yes you do. You're a member of the United Kingdom Alliance, aren't you? of the Ancient Order of Water-Waggoners? What did you tell the voters who in due course will fail to elect you? I feel you promised them raging and tearing propaganda, cinema films showing the evils that follow on the consumption of a half-pint of Government ale. They are evils, but not in the way you mean. You told them that if Crippen had stuck to tea he would not have become famous. You told the old age pensioners that if we get prohibition they'll live for ever, and you told the undertaker that if he goes dry he'll make coffins faster. Eh, you Pussyfoot, you did."

"Sir," said Diddlebury, loftily, "a statesman does not condescend to such subterfuges." (Now, did I call him a statesman?) "I did not tell them to go dry. Or wet. In the name of democracy I used tact. I deplore the methods of Mr. 'Pussyfoot' Johnson, though I endorse his objects. So I told my future constituents that if prohibition did not please them I would refer it to the next election but one."

Sometimes I think Diddlebury will be a Minister yet.

THE WINN-PAGET WEDDING

The Hon. Charles Winn, second son of Lord St. Oswald, leaving St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, with his bride, the eldest daughter of Lord Queenborough

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"HA! ha!" bellowed Bill Gawber, as he saw me coming. "Run up against a fingerpost, 'ave yer?"

"The slight discolouration of my eye," I replied with dignity, "is due to a misunderstanding."

"Oh, is it? I don't think. Suppose you was giving one of your killers to a bit of pastry passing by, and her bloke didn't like it?"

"Not at all. I got into a taxi when the driver wasn't looking, and he gave me this because I wanted him to drive two miles."

"You . . .," said Bill, "shut yer mug. You re allers coming it over the working-man."

"I said taxi-driver, not working-man."

"I'll bung up yer other eye for yer," said Bill. "'Ow d'you expect the man to live? Course he wanted a bit for his (purple) self. If yer take him for a mile 'e gets a tanner; if you take him for ten miles he still gets the same (smoking) tanner. Course he likes a short fare. That's what comes of a (fetid)

LAST WEEK'S ROYAL GARDEN PARTY AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE

The picture shows guests waiting for the gates to open

Paris En Fête Looks On

WHILE PRESIDENT POINCARÉ DECORATES HEROES OF THE WAR

THE SCENE OUTSIDE THE HOTEL DE VILLE ON JULY 14

Paris Celebrates Peace

BRITISH GUARDS WITH THEIR COLOURS IN THE PROCESSION

MARSHALS JOFFRE AND FOCH LEAD THE PROCESSION THROUGH THE ARC DE TRIOMPHE

On July 14th Paris celebrated the coming of Peace with characteristic spirit. A magnificent procession, which included representatives of nearly all the Allied troops, was led by Marshals Joffre, Foch and Pétain. Sir Douglas Haig rode at the head of the British Contingent and General Pershing at that of the American. There were great

with Real Parisian Élan

AT THE HOTEL DE VILLE: PRESIDENT POINCARÉ, MARSHAL JOFFRE AND MARSHAL FOCH

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG AT THE HEAD OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE REPRESENTATIVES

scenes of enthusiasm along the whole route of the march and outside the Hotel de Ville, where President Poincaré presented swords of honour to Marshals Joffre and Foch, and also bestowed decorations, won during the war, on officers and men

BYSTANDER COMMENTS (continued)

Coalition. If you was to make it a bob a mile all through there'd be no row."

I promised to forward this view to the proper quarter. Here it is.

Undisturbed

I HAVE received a letter from Sir John Oxton, in which he says, 'You are greatly mistaken, my dear Clarence, if you think I am at all upset. You tell me that Mr. Bottomley has obtained a committee to wake up dormant bank balances, but you can tell him that in this matter I was dormy four millions when the Victory Loan closed. You also tell me that I am to be prosecuted as a profiteer. Well, I will tell you in confidence that I am not at all ashamed of making 300 per cent. on my woollen yarns, and that you can pay sixteen guineas for lounge suits for all I care; nor do I blush when Sir Arthur Conan Doyle charges my greengrocer with demanding tenpence for cabbage; and my trawlers have strict orders to throw the mackerel back rather than let my prices down. I take what I will, and there lie no blushes under my purple mask. If the public doesn't like it, then let it show pluck and control me . . . if it can." Sir John is deplorably candid, but there's wit in his cynicism. Why shouldn't we try his plan?

Peace and Two Embassies

THE ratification of Peace means the resumption of "diplomatic relations" with what used to be called the Central Powers. A delicate, a very delicate, question will arise when the diplomatic folk arrive from Austria and Germany. In the old days the Ambassadors of those two countries were great figures in our social world, especially Count Mensdorf-Pouilly, the Austrian, who is related to most of the royal families and is called, or rather was called, "Cousin Mensdorf" by more than one sovereign. How will their successors be received? And will they take up their abode in the great Embassies in Carlton House Terrace and Belgrave Square, which have had their shutters up for the last five years?

SIR E. GEDDES has succeeded in getting his Bill through the Commons; now remain the Lords

Mr. SHORTT (Home Secretary) has decided to keep D.O.R.A for another year

Sir E. Carson threatens to call out the Ulster Volunteers if Home Rule is forced on them

POLITICAL PERSONALITIES IN CARICATURE

No. 1 on the Black List

ONE lady, an American by birth but Austrian by marriage, I hear, on an excellent authority, is extremely anxious that her husband, who was at the Austrian Embassy in Berlin when the hounds of hell were let loose in 1914, should be included in the *personnel* of the new Austrian Embassy to London. But it will be happier for her if she puts the desire in her pocket, or if her husband is not chosen, for she will have an extremely chilly, not to say frozen-out time, if she does come to London. All memories are not short, and many of you, my good people, will, doubtless, remember a letter that was published in the English newspapers written by the Countess Ferdinand Colleredo-Mansfeld. This is the lady who aspires to come here. She was born an Iselin, American of the Americans, and married a cadet of the Italo-Austrian family with the double name I have given above. At the time of the first Zeppelin raid over London she wrote a letter to her brother exulting in the German report that half London was in ashes, a ghoulish letter which ended in "Hurrah! Hurrah!"

"Sorry I Spoke"

ONE knows that the position of American women married to Germans and Austrians was supremely difficult, but to gloat and rejoice over the killing of women and children in any country puts a woman of any nationality outside the pale. This Countess Ferdinand Colleredo-Mansfeld is now apparently "sorry I spoke," for she has deliberately gone out of her way to be all graciousness, "honey and butter and a pound of cheese," to English officials on missions in Austria. But there are a good many people of position and might who remember the lady's letter, and if, by one of those odd chances that occur even in these days of Soviets, her husband should be appointed to the new Embassy, and his Countess has the effrontery to accompany him, I doubt if she would remain very long in this country. There are lots of other ways besides tar and feathers.

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"Pax Britannica"—Under Trades Union Rules

THE EGREGIOUS SMILLIE *(regarding Miss (Industrial) Peace in her usual condition after a Congress with the "Wurrkers")*: "Aye! Prrecisely! An' ma freends, ye mun just as weel understan', once and for a', that ye're no likely to see the leddy in any ither condeetion while Bob Smillie has a voice i' the matt'r!"

BYSTANDER COMMENTS (continued)

The Royal Garden-Parties and Manners

ONE thing at the Garden-Parties amazed everybody except the culprits, and that is how some of the guests—you could have counted them by hundreds — crowded round the Sovereigns and members of the Royal Family and just stared and stared. It was particularly noticeable at the second Party. Very often, when the King or Queen wanted to move, the crowd of gapers had to fall back to give them passage. A courtier of the old *régime*, who was distinctly shocked by the "gathering around," said at one particular moment, when the Queen had stopped to speak to two Australian ladies and dozens of people were craning forward to hear what her Majesty was saying, "Look at 'em! Just look at 'em! This isn't a garden-party. It's a fishes' nursery!"

FOR PEACE DAY

General Pershing arrived in London early last week, and is here seen driving away from the station with Mr. Winston Churchill

Mr. Pussyfoot's Prohibition

THE Prohibition business in America and the arrival of Mr. "Pussyfoot" Johnson and his £60 a month servitors in this country to buy, bribe, or bully us into total abstinence, form a striking commentary on human nature. Ever since the beginning of the nineteenth century Europe has been fighting tyranny in one form or another. Countries have been deluged with blood, thrones have been toppled over, and monarchs with them, just because of tyranny. But America has shown the world that in a democracy and republic organised crankdom and fanaticism can exercise a tyranny undreamt of by any individual ruler since the Middle Ages. The Pussyfoot man has said openly that the Total Prohibition campaign in this country is to be worked by limitless money, and by "getting behind" authorities and persons of influence. Observe the method—highly paid agents, secret propaganda, backstairs influence—everything on the Boche methods of "peaceful penetration." Myself, I think these abstinence cranks, both in America and this country, are repeating a Boche mistake as well as Boche methods. They do not understand the psychology of our people, and they do not realise the enormous difference between the liquor trade conditions in the two countries.

An Odd Co'ncidence

NOW, it is a singular thing that almost coincident with the arrival of old Pussyfoot, one of our oldest established temperance societies, which, ever since its beginning, has been out "bald-headed" for total abstinence, found itself nearing the rocks of financial disaster through dwindling membership. It's narrow-minded, dictatorial "total abstinence" was the reason, and in order not to go under completely it has had to eliminate that proviso for membership and ask only for "temperance." Nowadays, most people are temperate, and I wouldn't give any Government that listened to the backstairs cooing of old Pussyfoot, and tried to force his fanatical wishes and those of his small minority on this country, a week of life. And there's another side of this newest form of tyranny. What's forbidden by law you can always get from an illicit still. And again, where are these "Prohibitions" going to stop? If Pussyfoot stops our beer and our whiskeys and soda, what is to prevent other cranks insisting on our all being in bed at ten o'clock, and on no revue actress being allowed to wear a pearl necklace unless she can produce a marriage licence?

A PRACTICE SWING

The Prince of Wales playing golf at Brighton, where, with Prince Albert, he was last week recuperating for a few days after his illness

Suzanne, Suzanne, Suzi

(*With apologies to Charles Kingsley*)

"Are you ready for your tennis-match, Suzanne, Suzanne, Suzi?
You're playing Mrs. Chambers in a singles *aujourd'hui*.
They say you'll be the winner, oh, you plucky prodigy,
And there's lot of money laid on you, Suzanne, Suzanne, Suzi."

She gripped her tennis-racquet, did Suzanne, Suzanne, Suzi,
"I'd like to carry off the prize and take it back with me,
So I'll do my level best for France, though grass is strange to me,
I'll serve and volley, smash and drive, for *tout le monde* to see."

Well, she mastered Mrs. Chambers —Oh! the gallant lass was she,
And played a game of tennis that was brilliant as could be;
So she won the ladies' championship, for all the world to see,
And crowds of people yelled "Hurrah!" for *chic* Suzanne, Suzi.

IRENE HARRISON

Peace-Day in Paris

THE ARC DE TRIOMPHE, AFTER FORTY-NINE YEARS, REGAINS ITS GLORY

For the first time since the defeat of the French by Prussia in 1870, armed men passed beneath the Arc de Triomphe in Paris on the day of Peace Celebration, July 14th, and the first of those men to pass through were the gallant men who, during the past four-and-a-half years of war, have led France to victory—Joffre, Foch and Petain. Thus has been wiped out—and more than wiped out—the defeat of nearly fifty years ago

HAPPINESS TO ORDER

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE PEACE CELEBRATIONS

BY THE "OLD GUARD"

WE ourself being a somewhat obstreperous person, are disposed fiercely to resent the ordinance that required all to simulate mirth upon a given date by way of a national rejoicing for the boon of peace. We hold and will maintain that none can prudently point his finger at the calendar and declare that on a day yet to come he will be happy. He may waken on the date appointed for his rejoicing to find that he has the megrims or a colic, or that he must hie him to his dentist for a tragic diversion, or that his landlord is about to distrain for rent. Wherefore in our view men should be invited to rejoice when the humour for frolic is upon them, and not chained to an arbitrary date and voted churlish if, for no fault of their own, they may not laugh with a world eager to laugh with them.

EVERY sane man and woman is glad that peace has been given in our time. We, whose faith in humanity is still fresh and green, refuse to believe that even the soulless profiteer would crave to continue for ever to draw gain from another's misery. Might not they that in their wisdom rule us have taken that gladness for granted, and not have insisted upon a special manifestation of it in the shape of hideous noises in the streets and parks? It has been said that the most fervent prayers are often those that are never spoken. Well may it be, then, that great and abiding joy may fill the human heart without necessitating a bonfire or a fight with a policeman as collateral evidence.

AND since the mood is upon us for carping at public manifestations of joy in peace, we will please to growl at further length. For, look you, masters! From the forum and the pulpit they that would guide our erring steps along the safer road have screamed at us of late a warning that we shall ere long lack food. We are sternly bidden to stand vigilantly by and see that none shall waste either his labour or his substance since all must be jealously conserved for the public weal. And at such a pregnant hour our sapient prætors call upon us to fritter away much of our meagre store in the shape of squibs and squirters and bonfires and indolence, as though it were most fitting to herald the seven lean years to come with an unrestricted orgie of waste.

"A PROPHET IN HIS OWN COUNTRY"
First Celebrator to others: "Hi, guv'nor, who's the lady?"—

AND yet withal, from this welter of seeming madness we seem to draw a welcome ray of light. For since our trusted governors have given us leave and license to make merry without restraint, it must be that they have themselves counted the cost and have found a proper balance on the credit side. Wherefore, the outlook for us in the days to come, cloudy though it be, is not so dark as the Gloomy Dean and the Dismal Jimmies would have us believe. There is, then, by the grace of Heaven, a spirit of optimism abroad. There is faith in them that guide us that we will presently as a united nation diligently do the work that is set to our hands, and so lift ourselves once more into the clouds of prosperity and the heaven of affluence from which we fell Lucifer-like five dreary years agone. We, too, have that faith which we will hold against all comers; we, too, hold the belief that work, hard work and continuous work, which is the panacea for all our ills to-day, will be the prevailing note now that peace has been marked and celebrated.

SO, for ourself, there was no lot nor part to take in street brawls or parish bonfires or sky-rockets or catherine-wheels. As befitted such a solemn occasion as the official dawn of peace on earth we spent the morning of the blessed day in a strenuous but alas! fruitless effort to pick a quarrel with an urban editor over a debatable question of fifteen shillings. After which since the policeman on point duty at that spot miserably declined to try and push us off the pavement or to do anything to arouse our bellicose instincts, we celebrated peace as our robust ancestry would have done by raising our glass and drinking a health unto his Majesty, and dire confusion to Pussyfoot and all other creeping, crawling things on earth below. We have Peace. Brothers, ours be the task by our labour to bring prosperity as well.

The Old Question Answered

"LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE IN THE GREAT WAR, DADDY!"

Photograph VISCOUNTESS DRUMLANRIG [*Lallie Charles*

Who will be presented to their Majesties at the next Royal Garden Party She is the daughter of Mr. H. W. Richards, of Regent's Park, and was married in 1917. Her husband, the eldest son of the Marquis of Queensbury is a Captain in the Black Watch

"IN ENGLAND-NOW!"

A WEEKLY LETTER FROM "BLANCHE." Illustrated by HELEN McKIE

LONDON, *July* 21, 1919

DEAR COUSIN—

Finis!
The tumult and the shouting dies,
The captains and the kings depart. . . .
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

PEACE signed. . . . *And* celebrated. Blockade lifted. . . . "Diplomatic relations" resumed. . . . Parsons preaching "Love your enemies." . . . The Boche *commerçant* straining at the leash. . . . A sleepy feeling here in England now—though joy endure for a night, heaviness cometh in the morning. . . .

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THE war s over! Or—well, *that* war, anyway, though we re still, of course, "garrisoning" and clearing-up and settling things in France and Belgium, in Italy and at Fiume, in the Black Sea areas, in Egypt, in Palestine, in Mesopotamia, in India, in Siberia, in the Straits Settlements, in Hong Kong, in Singapore, Malta, Gibraltar, and—in Germany.

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AND at home—"hardly possible to paint the prospects of civilisation in too dark a colour. . . We shall leave to our children the inheritance of a bankrupt . . . ." according to the Gloomy Dean, you know. And, truly, for those who ve eyes to see, and ears to hear, a Gordian Knot indeed, England's, to unravel as peace after war piles Pelion on Ossa.

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FORTUNATELY—or would you say unfortunately? —rare as roses in December or "understanding" at the War Office (which even a hardened old Guards officer described to me the other day as "the most soulless machine of em all"), are those who look forward and wonder. The rest—well, you should have seen us here in England now at Lord's for the Eton and Harrow match, at Ranelagh and Roehampton and Wimbledon for the lawn tennis weeks and the polo championships, at Ascot and Newmarket and Sandown, at the Royal garden-parties. . . .

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OBVIOUS at the last, especially that Court officials, anyway, aren't impressed by any alleged necessity for speeding-up old England. Berlieve me or berlieve me not, as George Robey used to say, but all the same it's true—because there happened to be a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace last week, at the busiest time of the day, the whole of the traffic of the most important, near-by thoroughfares of London was held-up and obstructed and diverted (and thoroughly irritated) for the best part of a whole five hours.

"A hardened old Guards officer"

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SWEET reactionaries, aren t they—Court officials, I mean? Not to be intimidated (or even instructed!) by any new-fangled ideas about democracy or signs and sympt ms of Bolshevism and revolution. And not, either, I'd have you know, by any means wash-outs as far as holding power and wielding influence goes in England now. Putting their whole trust in princes, and knowing well on which side anyway *their* bread is buttered, these Conservatives-at-all-costs are behind, of course, all this outcry there has been against the Kaiser, as Lord High Criminal in the greatest crime ever committed, being put upon his trial. And very cleverly and craftily, let's confess it, they have got to work. Into the minds of all the really "nice" people with whom kings can do no wrong, it's now slowly percolated that to "insult" the Kaiser is to insult all Courts. And on the righteous call for justice of the rest they have caused to fall a thin cloud of contempt.

"The Captains and the King's depart"
(South Africa, Canada, and Australia)

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TALKING of Peace here in England now, letters to Blanche received this week from Bagdad, from Russia north, south, and in the Black Sea, from the Rhine and from India, seem rather out of the movement—the Peace one, I mean, of course. "Has it ever occurred to you, dear Blanche," write "Two Tired and Thirsty Lancers" from the North-West

"IN ENGLAND—NOW!" (concluded)

frontier, "that there is still a war on, in spite of all the tamesha going on in England now about the Peace?

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"THERE is a place, not a hundred yards from the abode of Mephistopheles, called Afghanistan, where wine, woman, whisky, and other necessities of life are unknown, and the temperature, rising from 115 deg. in the shade, does wonderful antics in the twentys. A delightful spot for Peace cranks. Most of *us* were on the verge of getting home and jazzing with the best of 'em this summer when this stunt commenced. Please, Blanche, take pity on those never-mentioned people 'with them there shoulder-chains,' the Indian cavalry.

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A *BILLET DOUX* from the same charming corner of the Empire tells me charmingly that even in its farthest outskirts the Gurkha Rifles, Q.A.O. (yes, I know G.H.Q.) in *India* is concealing the names of all units on Afghan operations, but *here* we've got a *Peace* on, haven't we?), "read you and love you, dear Blanche. Think about us, won't you, for our lot is a very hot and dusty one in this *yet* another, the third, Afghan War, and your letter, with its anecdotes of glorious peace, is devoured with that greed which is fostered by love. *Don't forget us.*"

"Sweet reactionaries, aren't they—Court officials, I mean?"

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AND here's yet another version of the same story—good for you, you know, to hear these things. We *are* so fond of sitting around and thinking war's over and done with because it's peace *here*. "Blanche, dear," write two "Waifs on the Frontier," "we're in a desolate, barren spot near the Khyber Pass, miles from human habitation, devoid of anything in the way of trees, grass, or any green thing ('ceptus), and it makes us simply long to be in England now.

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"WE live under canvas, in a temperature specially stoked up by Old Nick himself, and, in addish, he sends along dust-storms, flies, and a conglomeration of muck the like of which has never been seen before. Our sole amusement is to sit down in the evenings and be swiped at by bands of 'wild and woollies,' who come down from the hills in the hope of picking up stray Europeans, rifles, and cattle.

We don't ask for sympathy, Blanche (continue our poor dear scorched-to-a-cinder Far East fighting men), but we *would* like you to remember us. Most of us have been through France with the P.B.I., some of us since 1914, and we're now sitting opposite the Afghan without the faintest idea *why*.

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ANYTHING to be finished with the Far East, even if it means being on the Rhine, is the chief plaint of all my war letters anywhere east of Suez. "As usual," writes a colonel gunner man from Baghdad, "the pore blokes who are serving the country in the more distant and dismal theatres of war are forgotten by the politicians and the great B.P."

While Tommy and his officers at home are having a top-hole Continental trip to Cologne (all x's free) we blighters in Mesopot are slogging along through another weary hot weather. No beer-gardens and bands on the Rhine, Blanche. No inter-divisional sports. No classes to fit you for civil life (too hot to play, too hot to learn).

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"IN fact, Blanche, no *nothing*—except the hell of an amount of grousing, and ditto cheeriness, in spite of all. But we would like to be relieved, or even to know that people at home remembered there's still such a place as Mesopot. Will you tell them about it?"

"At Lord's for the Eton and Harrow match"

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DEARLY love our little green island set in a silver sea and beset with profiteers, don't we? Wish I could say, with my hand on my heart, that we show our love, too, for the men who've fought and fight to keep her ours—*practically*, I mean, as well as romantically. But after "Duggie" Haig's revelations about pensions and gratuities and things—wouldn't be much good if I did, would it?

With love, yours ever,

BLANCHE

WE regret that owing to a printer's error some remarks in Blanche's Letter last week in regard to the new Guards Club in Brook Street were made to appear as if they referred to that famous naval club, The Goat. The statement that certain rooms were to be open to lady guests referred in the original to the new Guards' Club not to the Goat Club

Security For The Future

This little trouble was due to trying to get that last bit of wear out of his early 1914 bathing suit

BY CAPTAIN BRUCE BAIRNSFATHER

IN COLOGNE

BY THE BYSTANDER IN OCCUPATION

When wearied by our struggles to remember that a German army is—or was—feminine, and that Fraüleins, despite appearances, are neuter, it is a consolation to us to reflect on some of Fritz's less successful attempts to master English.

There is the gentleman in Minoritenstrasse, for example, who announces to us, "My photographs immediate to take—copies immediate to have"; and there is the fishmonger who periodically exhibits a

"No more fish here to buy—we become them next week!"

notice, "No more fish here to buy—we become them next week!"

One of the best exhibitors of Hunglish, is probably the barber in Marzellenstrasse, who proudly, if rather vaguely, announces:

"Shave, Hair Cot!
To Wash the Hair!
To make Sharp the Shave Knife!"

From men in various administrative departments which deal direct with the Hun, one hears of many other effects of frightfulness as applied to our language, such as the request (shortly after the Occupation began) by some opera singers for British rations. They based their appeal with much justification on the pleasure that their work afforded to thousands of British officers and men, but ended with the rather unconvincing statement that, "At refusing our request we brink upon mental, moral, and physical ruin!"

Another gentleman begged the permission of the Railway Controller to send "Intestines of the sheeps" to a certain destination, explaining: "This guts are needed to strings of the violine while they are too narrow to the sausage."

The continuance by a certain German bureau, however, of the habit of sending applicants for special privileges to us with a note of introduction, requesting us to "Please dispatch the bearer immediately," will certainly cause some harassed and choleric staff officer to give an interpretation to the phrase quite other than that intended by its authors.

The prospect of the early arrival of our wives on the Rhine fills (of course) the heart of every married man with joy. The usual preliminary to a change in regulations, the filling up of innumerable returns, is in progress. We have already furnished detailed particulars of the number of wives we married in '14, '15' and '16, and which ones we want out first, and so on. Rumours of an increase in the staffs of delightful dancing partners at Decima Moore's Cologne Leave Club, and other purveyors of approved entertainers for the single man, are also afloat. Thus no one can say that everything possible is not being done to keep us out of the clutches of such lovely maidens as those whose photographs adorned the pages of a recent Bystander.

"Please dispatch the bearer immediately"

It is not from purely selfish motives that we hope the authorities will make a careful selection. Perhaps some "Daily Paper's" Beauty Board would consent to pass or reject female candidates for Rhineland. The point is, that the Boche will judge our English womanhood entirely by the samples sent out here. If we send out any specimens of his war-time caricature type—women whose breadth of ankle and prominence of tooth is only equalled by the absence of those attributes from chest, hip and calf, a n'orrid slaughter of outspoken German critics by champions of England's Fair may usher in our long-awaited peace!

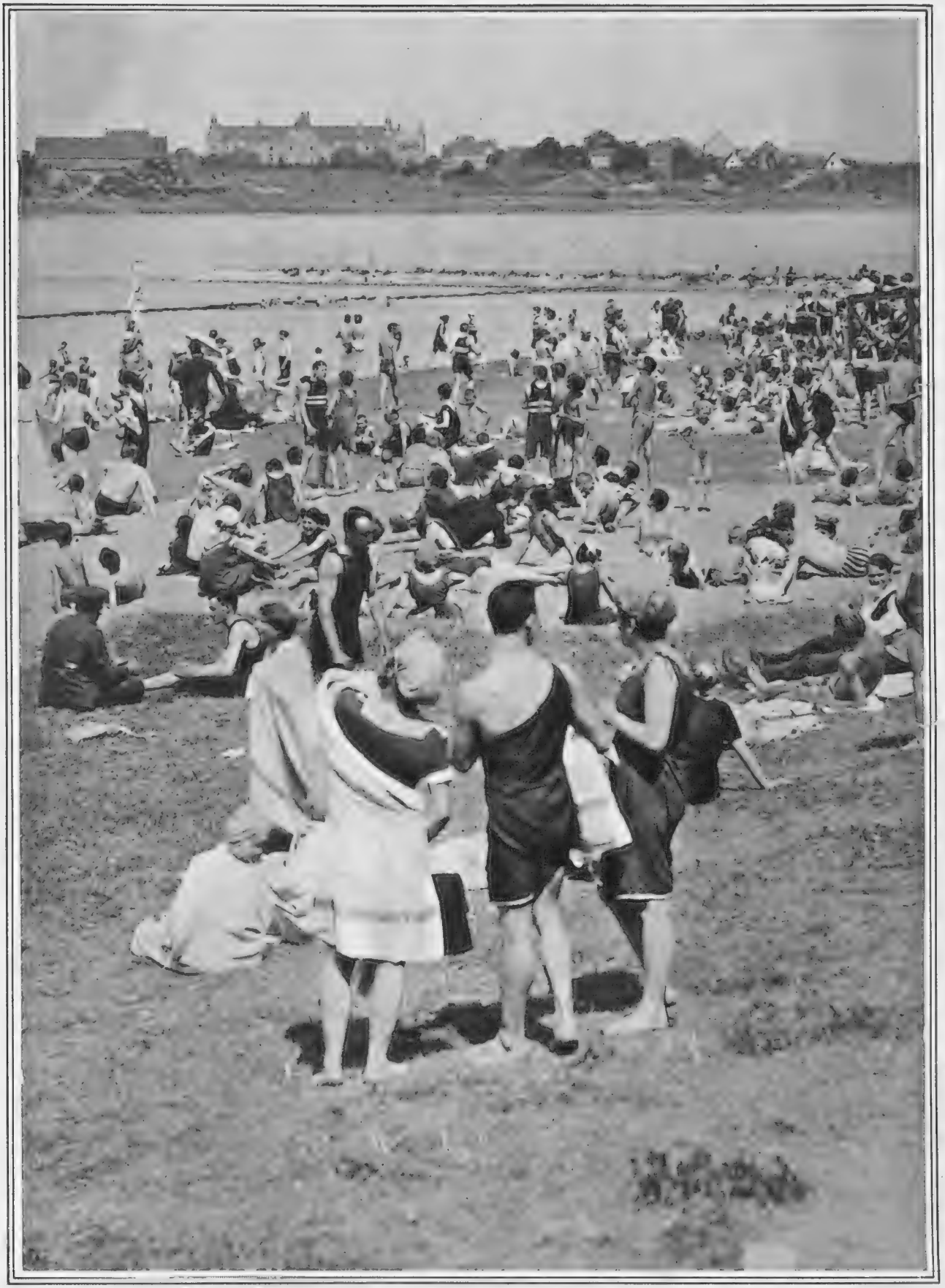
Even properly approved candidates must not make the mistake of rating the Rhinemaidens too low. They are Germans, certainly—but they are not by any means Prussians, and their sprinkling of French blood gives some of them quite a taste in dress. In short, England expects that every woman out here will show her beauty—to the best advantage. She who comes will certainly not lack an enthusiastic reception, or the best of good times procurable.

Of course the Boche would not dare to say it, but it would be horrid to have him even think what some charming daughters of an allied nation quite seriously believed of the workers in a certain British institution in their neighbourhood during the war. Grateful as everyone was to these workers, it cannot, alas, be denied that there was some justification for the idea. Wild horses would not drag from the Occupying Bystander the locality or nature of the said institute—but what those allied ladies believed of those English ladies was that, before coming overseas, they had all been passed by the board of matrons as perfectly innocuous in looks, figure and dress to even the most susceptible subaltern!

Eric Gordon

Very Mixed Bathing

AS IT OCCURS IN, OR ON THE BANKS OF, THE RHINE



A SCENE NOT A HUNDRED MILES FROM COLOGNE

Britain's Proud Promise

Mr. Asquith, November 9, 1914: "We shall never sheath the sword until Belgium recovers all and more than all that she has sacrificed."

—That Britain Kept

England, July 28, 1919 (Belgium National Day): "My proud promise to you that I have kept"

Trimmed in Scarlet

At the GLOBE

By "JINGLE"
Illustrated by HARRIS

THIS is a personal triumph for Miss Violet Vanbrugh, who has here one of the delicate butterfly parts in which she invariably excels, that of Cordelia, a fascinating lady with a past. It is understood from the start that she is not a "Scarlet Woman," but is only trimmed with that hue. In my young and less responsible days there was a circulating story about a lady and a dash of heliotrope that used to make the unregenerate laugh a good deal; but in Cordelia's case the scarlet trimmings have only been appended by the voice of the scandal-monger. They are clearly not justified by the facts—that is, as far as we are permitted to know them. And though it has been alleged that a woman cannot keep a secret, some shrewd person has pointed out that there is an exception to every rule.

CORDELIA ran away from her husband a year after her marriage. And that is, unfortunately, not all. There was a baby, and she ran away from that

too, which is the unpardonable crime in the eyes of all good matrons. The only excuse for this regrettable lapse that Cordelia has to offer is that by nature she is totally lacking in the maternal instinct. To show the extent to which she is afflicted in this direction they bring into the room a baby in long clothes. Having patted the little thing on the cheek, just to please its mother, Cordelia asks innocently if it is a boy or a girl. One of the supercilious matrons present replies indignantly that it's a boy, of course. Has she no eyes? I have known writers who would have taken a situation like this and have commented on it at tremendous length, but anyone can see that I don't belong to the common crowd.

THE elopement to which Cordelia was a party was really quite an innocent affair. A young man who thought life would be impossible without her ran off with her; but they had got no farther than the railway station before the young man discovered that life would be impossible with her. They therefore parted at the booking-office. Cordelia, however, was divorced all the same; but it is to be noted that the scene of the play is laid in New York, where it would seem young couples think no more seriously of getting divorced than they do over here of getting married. For twenty years or so Cordelia has been living a butterfly existence, but nothing more is known against her than the inevitable scandal provoked by her position. She dresses superbly, and is very careful to be in the prevailing fashion of the hour, since, in her own words, "sleeves are more incriminating than the Family Bible."

IN the twenty years during which Cordelia has been gadding about the baby has grown into a man. Of course, I am not claiming any credit for him on this account, as it is just a natural event. I have done it myself once, if it comes to that. David (for 'tis he!) has a tender and chivalrous regard for the mother he has never known, and when he is formally introduced to her (some years later than is usually the case) he is quite charmed with her. And so say all of us! Cordelia, in spite of her protest that she lacks the maternal instinct, becomes the perfect mother on the spot. Now that her boy has got well beyond the tiresome era of flannel bindings and safety pins, and can put himself to bed she begins to feel sorry he has grown up so soon. She wishes now that she could have learned to tuck him up at nights, and to hear him say

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"IN FULL

SWING "

BY WILMOT LUNT

his prayers. Why she should assume that it is now too late for the latter ceremony, however, I am not able to decide. One of David's first acts is very properly to defend his mother's reputation from calumny, and when his employer, Mr. Knight, walks into the room and casts as it were the evil eye over her for future reference, David gets the fellow out of the room as soon, as possible.

THE next thing we hear is that David is in trouble. What with his own expenses and fees to blackmailers to keep his mother's past out of the papers, he has run out of the ready. And in order to remedy this grievous financial experience that comes to us all at times, David has been foolish enough to dip into his employer's till with the usual result. He bought cheap securities that as usual failed to fulfil their promise to rise, and now he has got to make a clean breast of his crime, and appeal to his employer, Mr. Knight, for pardon and a fresh start. He is sitting alone in his rooms brooding over the dread to-morrow when his mother walks in. She takes a motherly interest in him at once, and wonders why he prefers to live alone instead of under his father's more luxurious roof. David replies to the effect that he can't stand the old man at any price. Cordelia kisses him for that, and says that she knows now that he is her son indeed, as he takes after her so well in this particular respect.

AS a last resort David decides to appeal to his father for help. He owes about £1,200, a sum which is a trifle to one who is so horribly rich as the old man is. And presently the old man, Mr. Ebbing, is announced. David has just time to put his mother into an adjoining room, when Mr. Ebbing strides in and says he has come to explain that he won't put his hand into his pocket for a single penny on his son's account. He has heard that David has positively been corresponding with his mother, and that sort of thing is not, of course, to be tolerated. If he gives David any money, the old man is haunted by the horrible fear that Cordelia will get some of it, and so there's nothing doing. And about that time Cordelia, who has heard all, breaks out of her hiding-place, and in trying to pour oil on the troubled waters simply churns them up worse than ever till the meeting breaks up in disorder. My metaphors may be mixed, but my intentions are good.

CORDELIA then takes her son in hand, and tries to find out what his trouble is. As soon as she knows she tells him that he needs sleep, and gives him a drug calculated to bring on doziness in a record time. She has a plan of her own for rescuing him. It has its risks, but, maternal instinct or no, she is the boy's mother, and she is going to put up a fight for him. The following scene is very dramatic, and it is one that you will be going to see for yourselves and will not care to have spoilt by anticipation. Miss Vanbrugh has here a singularly sympathetic part that will appeal greatly to her many admirers, and she is supported by a very capable company. The play itself, a story of delicate tenderness, is relieved from mawkishness by its frankly worldly atmosphere, and it is brightened from first to last by witty and amusing dialogue that keeps the audience in rare good humour. *Trimmed in Scarlet* is a play to see. JINGLE

Photograph] **PRACTISING FOR THE FUTURE?** [*Compton Collier*

Miss Heather Thatcher, the well-known Adelphi actress who, one hears, intends to take up work on the films. At any rate she is here pictured in an attitude (and costume) by the silvery sea, such as most of us have seen "on the movies." But perhaps Miss Thatcher is only "posing," while on holiday, for a little private snap-shot!

A Good Fairy of the Stage

WHO LOOKS THE PART IN PRIVATE LIFE

Photograph MISS RENÉE KELLY *Compton Collier*

Now acting with conspicuous success in "The Cinderella Man" at the Queen's Theatre

The Bystander in PARIS

Odd Corners.

Illustrated by MARCEL PONCIN

MES AMIS—

WHAT is it we will do to-day in Paris? Shall we take a place in the *vie sociale* and go perhaps to Longchamps to lose our money with playing the horses? Shall we go to the Salon and make much pretence to understand the pictures of the cubists? Shall we sit in the café and discuss the *politique* and the strikes and how everyone says it will be a revolution, or shall we make a tour of our city like the Americans do in a big 'bus with some one to explain in a trumpet at what they must look?

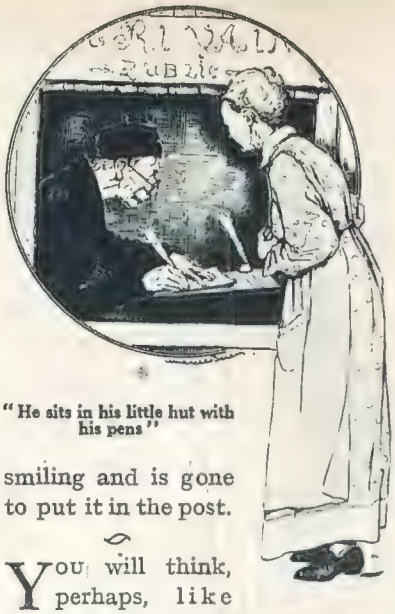
"With someone to explain in a trumpet"

LET us make our tour of the city, but we will not go to see what all the world will see—we will go to the funny corners and to visit some of my friends. First we will go to the hospital for the mad women of Paris. I do not go to take you inside, though, perhaps, you will say it is right that I shall go there. But we will stop outside to-day to see what the old man is doing who lives in the little green hut beside the wall.

WHEN I have been a little girl I have seen him first and I have thought what a clever old man he must be, and how he was very old. It is very long ago that, and still all day he sits in his little hut with his pens and his ink and writes, and one does not believe that he will ever stop to die. What does he write there in the street you ask outside the wall of the home for the mad women? There you see now—there is an old woman who goes to speak with him. She has asked that he will write a letter to her son, who is in the Army of the Rhine, to say how she is well and hopes that soon he will have again his permission because she becomes old and wishes to see him often.

IN the war how many sad letters has the old man written and how many glad ones? There was one day that I have passed and have seen him smile. It was the first time it has ever happened, and I have asked him why he has smiled: "You see, ma'amzelle," he has said, "here is the fourth time that I write to-day a letter to a *poilu* to tell him how there is arrived a *bel enfant*. I smile for that—the *poilu* will get his special permission to come and see Madame and *le petit*."

NOW it is finished, the war, but still he writes, and would you believe even he has mounted the price that he demands to write a letter. It is with justice that our people complain how the life is dear. Before the war it was four *sous* he has charged to write a letter, and now it is ten *sous*, the half of a franc, that one must pay. But see the old woman who now has the letter to her son has paid quite



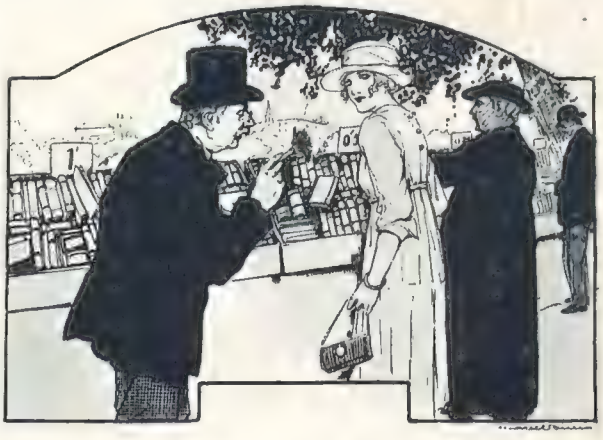
"He sits in his little hut with his pens"

smiling and is gone to put it in the post.

YOU will think, perhaps, like the Americans, that Paris is a very old-fashioned place to have still a business like the old man who writes letters, but it is just the same they do in the big shops of the typewriters. Come, let us go to the *bouquinistes* to see another of my friends.

SOMETIMES I have thought how in all Paris it is the most poetic of all our occupations to sell books under the trees on the wall of the *quais*. Always there are the artists who paint the stalls and the river and the old people who sit on their little stools to watch that someone who examines the books they have to sell does not make the mistake to go away with one and to forget to pay.

BUT I have a sad feeling that the *bouquinistes* are not themselves of so poetic a temperament to enjoy how they are picturesque and that it is a beautiful life they



"The old gentleman with a high hat"

Battle Areas—From the Woman's Point of View

IMPRESSIONS OF DEVASTATED NORTHERN FRANCE BY HELEN McKIE

(1) An improvised "shop" in the street, the owner's premises being closed for repairs. (2) Lunching in what is left of a beautiful public park. (3) A useful word of warning to the civilians. Some shells are about to be exploded

lead to wait beside the river to sell the knowledge in their books to the people who pass by. Perhaps, indeed, it is not always very wise to regard too closely some of the books they wish to sell, or to listen too hard how they speak to each other when they are angry not to have sold anything.

BUT there is one to whom I will introduce you who has the soul to understand the work he makes. There he is, below the tree beside the kiosk, the old gentleman with a high hat, who dusts his books and puts them each back in his case so carefully. They call him the *émigré* here among the *bouquinistes*, because there is a story that his great-grandfather was an *émigré* of the Revolution and was a friend of Voltaire, of whom there you see the statue smiling so cynically as if he knew all the knowledge of the world.

MY old friend does not himself tell of his history but once my uncle and I have discovered a name that was famous in France long ago written in an old book, and my uncle has said quite quietly: "It is your name, is it not, monsieur?" He has looked for a minute in the eyes of my uncle and then he has said: "Monsieur, the name died with my grandfather—the family will die with me—Can I show monsieur and mademoiselle my books."

". . . . and we will dance together the jazz à l'Americain"

MY uncle has bought a rare book that first time, but we have seen how the poor old gentleman was quite sad that we should take it away. "It is an old friend," he has said, "but, there, I know him by heart." Then my uncle has said: "But, monsieur will, perhaps, be so polished to keep it for me for a few days till I pass again, because now I have not the opportunity to take it with me."

IT was a little lie he has told because he has not wished to take the old book away, and if you come to see my friend you must not buy from these books—you must just talk with him of the great writers of the past. It is always so I do, and when we have talked and examined all the old books I would like, then I buy just a stupid modern book like he keeps in a separate case to make a little money to live. And sometimes when we talk and some one comes who wishes to buy one of his friends he says: "Ah, monsieur, I regret infinitely, but mademoiselle has just bought that volume."

NOW, because we are modern and not of his life, let us go to take the tea in the Champs Elysées and we will dance together the jazz à l'Americain.

Your friend,

AGNÈS

"HIS MASTER'S MARK!"

"A genuine Stradivarius, Sir—as you will notice he even carved his initial on it"

"De Muzzlebus"

"Nurse, nurse, buy a muzzle for me with a nice little doggie inside it!"

BYSTANDER SHORT STORY

A Sea Reel Story

By REX BLAIR

THAT priceless young duffer is my nephew. He is subject to occasional brain waves, though they are nothing to write to the *Times* about.

A month ago he wrote me to say that his mother and sister, the Lady Maude, had gone to Brightnor—after-the-war feeling, don't you know, and would I toddle over to keep the fatherly on them as he was finding Town far too interesting to spare time to go himself.

Now I'm not much of a boy for the chaperon stunt, but old George rather decently got me my job with the Controller of Bird Seed during the dear old war. Moreover, Influence is the proud birthright of their branch of the genealogical, and as I am having a shrewd thrust at the Diplomatic Service—*noblesse oblige!* Besides which, the notion was quite reasonably prime, don't you know.

I rang up the Hotel Gorgeous at Brightnor and booked my little shakedown right away, after which I tripped along to see my man about packing the good old pyjamas and all that, as I proposed to roll off by the ten-thirty next day.

Though not at my best while the pearly dawn is still about, don't you know, the morning Mocha soon restores my *gaieté de cœur*, so that by the time my man had popped me into a First I was feeling considerably braced by the prospect of a *dolce far niente* by the blue and bounding billows, keeping the watchful on the pride of the peerage.

While the hotel porter rescued my bits of things from the train I dribbled into the refreshment room and was lubricating the larynx when I caught sight of the Lady Maude and her mother exercising the Pekinese outside. It was rather decent and sporting of them to trouble meeting me, and I decided to give them the good old cable length if they had anything already on the fixture card.

I oozed out, and Lady Maude gave me the glad cry whilst her mother collected the Pekinese. I found they were walking—shopping—and I was to carry parcels. Broadening the jolly old intellect and getting the vote don't seem to have improved the Lady Maude, don't you know.

However, with the Pekinese on the end of a string, we proceeded to spend the family patrimony, and I was looking like the original Santa Claus by the time we reached the Parade. Then the Pekinese mixed his string up with an old boy's legs and the atmosphere became somewhat torrid. Maude insisted that I should smite the profane old party on the Christie and rescue the priceless pup. I declined the tented field and she dubbed me recreant. Raising the back-chat to a loftier plane I suggested untying the dear old gentleman and letting him go in peace, after which we shuffled off to the hotel.

This rift in the good old lute lasted a week, what time the Lady Maude played golf and never ceased twitting me with having shirked the field of Mars, don't you know, Even her mother seemed to think national service had lowered the family prestige and expected me to engage in feats of derring-do in my spare time, don't you know.

I brooded. The old brow was creased by carking care. I wanted peace; Maude wanted heroism—though I've got the O.B.E., don't you know. Why didn't that blighter George come down and enter the sanguinary lists for her?

The good old halcyon days were marred by the thought that it was up to me to embellish the family 'scutcheon, don't you know, or forfeit the Family Influence.

During the week the social atmosphere was deuced congested, don't you know. Later it became decidedly zippy, turning to dead calm when I got the frigid bird. My chances for the Diplomatic Stakes looked bleak and wintry, don't you know.

Sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought I sat on the hotel terrace, giving the slick eye to the mixed bathers on the beach below, and pretending to enjoy the good old post-prandial. In the winter-garden close by, the music merchants were getting busy. The

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THE MODERN SIREN

Second-Lieut. Split-Hurry *(at the enquiry on his crash)*: "My machine suddenly got into a side-slip and I was unable to regain control, and crashed!"

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The Fable—

—Of Government Control!

BY FRED BUCHANAN

"A SEA REAL STORY" (concluded)

wind that blew from the South whispered coffee and Salmon and Gluckstein. The sea was the usual blue, don't you know. The Lady Maude was somewhere around, letting loose on some credulous galoot the hot and unlikely tale of how she beat bogey. Her mother was telling the dear old ditto about the pedigree of the Pekinese.

The deuced painful and all that sort of idea had occurred to me of going out into the garden to eat worms, when a voice cried through the startled air. That's from a song, I believe, but it gets there if you know what I mean.

Throwing off the good old aristocratic ennui I sprang to my feet vaulted the balustrade and dashed to the shore, shedding the old Jaeger as I went.

A pretty weird gang was assembled to watch a stout female doing the jolly old *felo de se* by drowning. Amid the unparalleled excitement of the eccentrics on the beach I dived in and did the Captain Webb to where the plump damsel was making faces and throwing herself about. Two men in a boat were turning the handle of what looked like a diver's air pump. Ashore, a little man with a face like the good old oriflame was doing the human semaphore and shouting sweet nothings which I could not hear. Though hampered by weight and sea, like the Asquith man, I made a good finish and delivered the goods to her priceless confrères on *terra firma*.

The first people to welcome me as I rose like a jolly old Venus from the foam, were the Lady Maude and her mother. They seemed no end braced by my gallant deed, don't you know, and were getting busy with their congratulations, when our rosy faced little friend butted in and yelled: "You pie-faced mutt, you spoiled the best film we've made this season."

When I had recovered the good old *sang froid* I found the Lady Maude and her mother had faded away at the sound of the word "film"—which I thought pretty rich and feeding, don't you know.

. . .

Old George tells me his mother hates the "movies" like poison.

Net result: one spoilt suit; one ditto film; one ditto ditto career.

REX BLAIR

Books of the Week

THE very modern young lady who reads Wells and Shaw and has no use for the calm but out-of-date graciousness of her elders, the enthusiastic but uninformed Neo-Pagan who must needs rush out boldly, and, be it said, rather ludicrously, into "life," is rather satirically described by Mr. Hugh Lunn in his first novel, *The Will to Love* (Chapman and Hall: 7*s.* net). Barbara Guest belongs to the rich, but respectable, class. Her father is a dear, mild schoolmaster, her uncle is a dear, mild ex-Civil Servant. And her mother is the sort of narrowly proper woman that such men marry. (Unfortunately, one of Barbara's grandmothers ran away from her husband and caused scandal.)

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WELL, what does Barbara do? Fortuitously she meets Mr. Ralph Parker, a clever, scoundrelly fellow of fifty, who writes second-rate books, talks in the way most likely to appeal to young ladies looking for "life," manages a wife he doesn't love remarkably well, and extricates himself from the usual difficulties that beset a man of his kind with comparative ease. Mr. Parker, whom Barbara first describes as "dapper," is, apparently, keen for the girl to see "Life," but Fate or Mr. Lunn for some time works against her. There is a sordid little scene in London, where Barbara, poor kid, tries to play the part of sympathetic observer, but the day comes when Mr. Parker decides that matters must be brought to a head. The Guest family is in Switzerland, Mr. Parker descends upon them like a rather dirty avalanche, and in one of the cleverest passages in the novel, carries all before him.

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AND then, of course, there is nothing left but the inevitable anti-climax. You are hardly prepared for the black-mailing scene between Mr. Parker and Barbara's father, possibly because men of his kidney are so often scrupulously moral outside their love-affairs—but you accept it, and close the book in the hope that Miss Barbara's war-work—her experience ends in July, 1919—will fully compensate her for her initial disappointment. Once or twice you imagine that Mr. Lunn is just poking fun at the modern

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Famous Authors in Caricature

"TRICOTRIN": MR. LEONARD MERRICK

Hints to the Helpless

When you find yourself in an inverted position, transfer your loose cash from your trousers pocket to a safe place——it might fall out

"BOOKS OF THE WEEK" (concluded)

sex-novel—here, if I were he, I should follow Barbara's literary agent's advice and "give sex a miss" in his next book—but sundry reflections, scattered through his pages lead you to another conclusion. Barbara, however tinged with caricature, is a product of her age, but it is well to remember that she is not nearly so different from her predecessors as some novelists like to think.

Mr. JOSEPH HERGESHEIMER
Whose new novel "Java Head" (Heineman: 7s. net) is reviewed on this page

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In the second of his novels to be published in England, Mr. Joseph Hergesheimer does not forsake an old-time America for his background. *Java Head* (Heinemann: 7s. net) has all the unexpectedness of its predecessor and some of its faults. You are introduced to a family of Salem shipowners awaiting the home-coming of Gerrit Ammidon, one of its sons. He comes and brings with him as his wife a high-caste Chinese lady with wonderful clothes. You can imagine how she is received, more particularly when you learn that Gerrit, before his last voyage to the East, was supposed to be in love with the niece of a local merchant, Dunsack, a degenerate opium-smoking fellow, who himself makes love to the alien lady.

Taon Yuen naturally remains aloof. There can be little in common with her and the maliciously gossipy folk of Salem—but when she learns of her husband's infidelity she takes Dunsack's opium and kills herself. As in *The Three Black Pennys*, there are the most detailed descriptions of things which are not often described by novelists, and an air of distinction hangs over every page. In *Java Head*, however, it seems to hang too heavily, which suggests that Mr. Hergesheimer has not yet reached that simplicity which to him, as to most other writers, is a necessity. On the other hand, there is not the least doubt that the novel is good.

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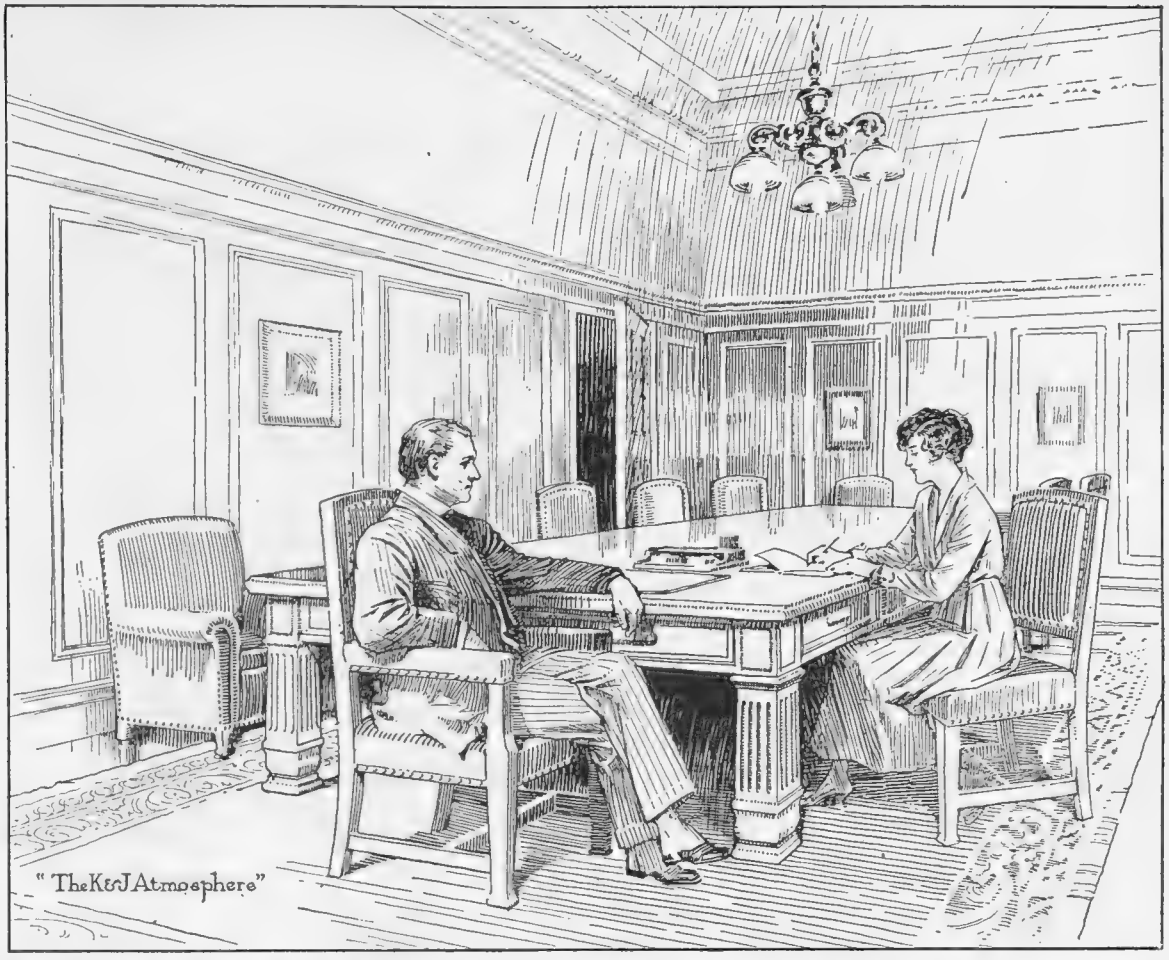
I have always thought that Browning's short poem, *A Light Woman*, with those well-known lines "So far as our story approaches the end, Which do you pity the most of us three? My friend, or the mistress of my friend, With her wanton eyes, or me?" would provide material for a good novel or play. In *The Basking Pear* (Long: 7s. net), Mr. James Blyth uses this material, but produces the poorest possible stuff. There are all the old tricks and all the old characters saying all the silly old things. There is not a breath of freshness throughout. A very dull book. R. S.

"A JAZZ DREAM"



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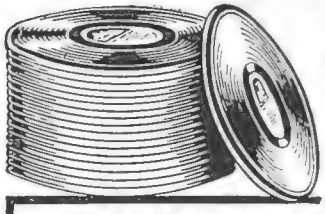

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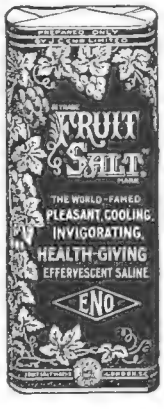

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The start of the sixth race held by the Royal Temple Yacht Club

SPORTS AND PASTIMES

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DROPPING THE MAINSAIL
"Bamba," the winner of the Open Handicap held by the Royal Temple Yacht Club

CRICKET

Eton and Harrow

A pleasing feature of the revival of sport in this year of victory has been that at nearly every event of outstanding importance something has happened which will help to stamp its renascence upon our memories. In rowing and in lawn tennis the things which have happened at Henley and Wimbledon are cases in point; in cricket we have had a memorable 'Varsity match, and we had hardly got over the excitement of it before along came an equally memorable Eton *v* Harrow. The mere fact that in the end Eton won easily does not make it any the less memorable. On Friday morning Eton, 175 runs to the good, with four wickets still to fall, were undoubtedly in a strong position, but as no play was possible until a quarter to three in the afternoon, the situation was decidedly interesting, for if Eton were going to win they had got to bustle.

A Sensational Finish

Instead of this, they carried on until they were absolutely sure of a draw, and I do not think that Gibson, their captain, showed much enterprise in waiting until he was 244 runs to the good before closing the innings. He and Hill-Wood between them had got Harrow out for 76 in their first innings on a good wicket on the first day, and he might at any rate have calculated on a similar achievement on a wicket which, if not actually bad, was very much less good on the second. As it happened, Gibson and Hill-Wood sent the whole of the Harrow eleven back to the pavilion so quickly that the match was over before 5.30. Harrow had made 41—one of the lowest scores ever recorded in the history of the game—and Eton had won by 202 runs. Hill-Wood had taken seven wickets for 29 runs and Gibson three for 12. How's that?

LAWN TENNIS

A False Deduction

The appearance in the lists at Wimbledon and elsewhere of so many fine young players from our Colonies and from the countries of our Allies has naturally tended to emphasise the dearth of rising talent—to use the stock phrase—in England, which is a known fact and one to be deplored, though not in accents of utter despair. But since most of these young players are new to English lawn tennis, there is a further tendency to regard them as having sprung into existence, as it were, during (and in spite of) the war, and to ask why, if other nations have produced these wonderful people since 1914, England has not been able to do likewise. This view of the situation is, of course, all wrong.

England's Handicap

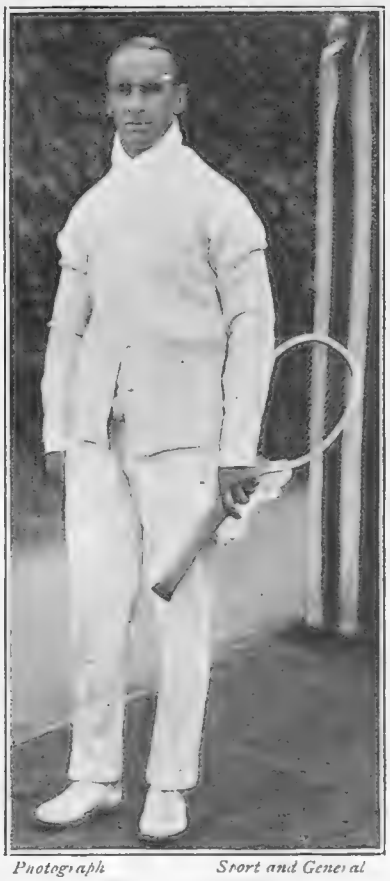
The truth is that none of the belligerent nations, with the exception of America, the last one to come in, has produced any fresh talent. Take, for instance,

SPORTS AND PASTIMES (concluded)

the two best of the young Colonials, Patterson and O'Hara Wood ; both of them had made a name and were leading players in Australia before the war began, just as much as were Gobert and Laurentz in France. Gobert and Patterson are young enough to have gained in physique (as they have done) since then, and are all the better for it, nor do young players take long in making up any ground lost through lack of practice. Even the youthful Norton, the " baby " of the South African team, was a boy-champion and a player in open tournament before he started fighting in " German East."

" The Mainstay "

England, on the other hand, was badly off before the war for young players of first-class rank, and she remains badly off—quite naturally. And if other countries are no better off than they were she is in the same way no worse off in this particular respect, though she is, of course, in others, such, for instance, as the necessary and inevitable decline of her more elderly mainstays.



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MR. J. C. PARKE

The well-known International lawn-tennis player who has entered for the Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles at the Norwood tournament

But the way in which these mainstays have come back, still full of " go," is remarkable enough, and the American player who has described them as " wonderful athletes for their age " was just about giving them their due.

Quien Sabe?

England is also handicapped by the fact that lawn tennis is not a recognised school game. Yet, in spite of this, she has produced many players in the past who were great while still young. It is one of my beliefs that champion players are born, not made, and that a boy who is bitten with a desire to excel at the game and thinks he has it in him will " get there " somehow. The Dohertys are a case in point. We have had such a long series of lean years that a change seems bound to come soon, and if there are any Dohertys in embryo knocking about at the present time I am sure that they will come to the front, as it were, automatically, and without waiting for " recognition " on the part of the public schools. H. S. S.

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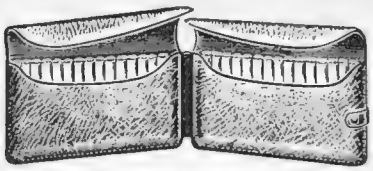

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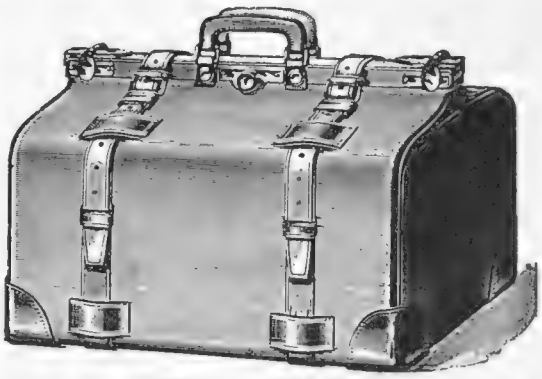

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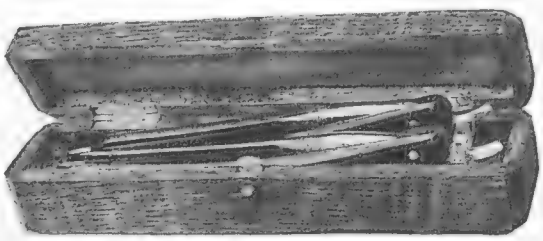

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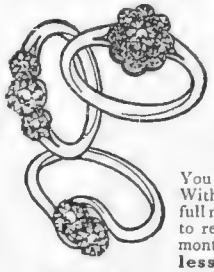

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RACING TOPICS

LIVERPOOL CUP. By "CARBINE."

Playful Doubles

More than half the season has run its course, and speculative punters are already beginning to interest themselves in the questioon of the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire double. Prudent people will tell you that this is a species of mid-summer madness. They scoff at the idea of backing horses before even the entries have been made, but certain enterprising bookmakers are offering 1000 to 1 about any two animals, and I know one man who will give you 4000 to 1 providing you take horses which are not public favourites. You see here a temptation to wager a comparative trifle to win a small fortune, and, to my sporting mind, it seems quite as good a gamble as any of the big Derby sweepstakes. I have even dabbled myself in a small way on the coming autumn handicaps. For the Cesarewitch you must have a horse capable of staying the long distance, and I have chosen such as Langdon Hills, Silonyx, Buckthorn, Furore, and Queen's Square. Mix these up with Zinovia, Grand Parade and Knight of Blyth, and you can get quite a lot of fun for a moderate outlay.

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"PAPER MONEY"

Sir W. Gilbey's horse, S. Donoghue up, which had a walk over for the Willingham Plate at Newmarket last week

The Cup at Aintree

This week the most interesting race will be the Liverpool Cup on Friday. The Hon. George Lambton has won this race so many times that one naturally looks to see what he has in the entry. This time he will probably be represented both by Dionysos and Santa Cruz. I prefer the former's chance, but I think that Arion has improved so tremendously this season that he may be capable of conceding the weight. After his brilliant series of handicap successes it will be a great score if Arion carries off this cup for Lord Jersey, and you cannot get away from the excellent chance he possesses. A filly for whom I have considerable admiration is Chuette. She is a rare stayer and as game as possible. King John is expected to win a good race before the end of the season, and Golden Fleece has a big Irish reputation. I think Dionysos is handicapped to win, and I expect Arion and Chuette to prove the best of the others. I am writing before the publication of the acceptances for the other handicaps at the Liverpool meeting, but I think Mr. S. B. Joel has a good chance of winning the Molyneux Plate on Thursday.

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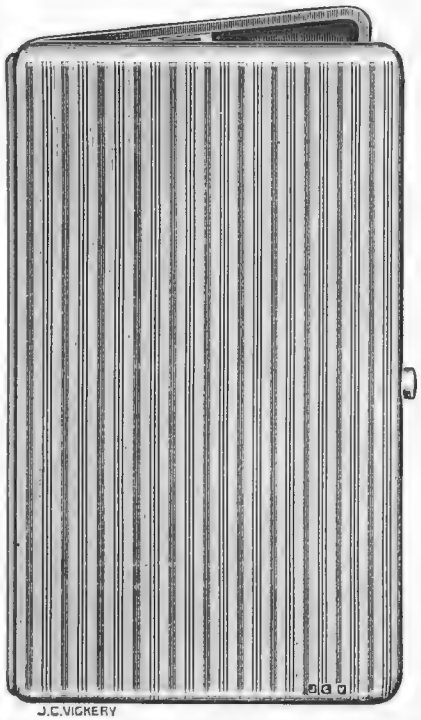

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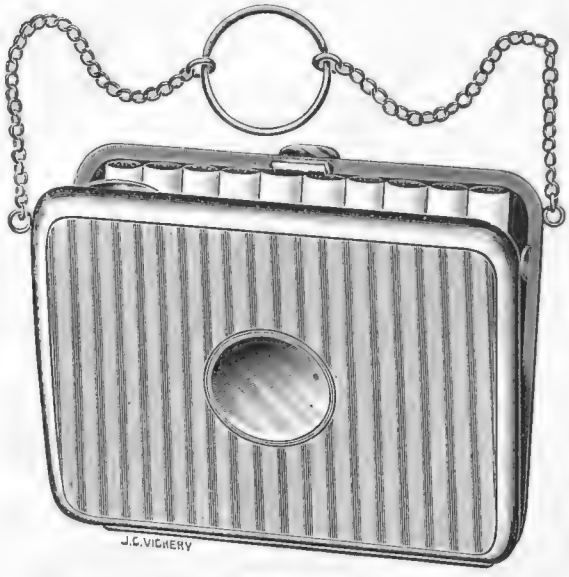

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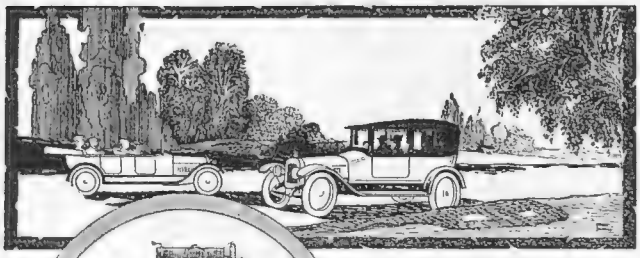

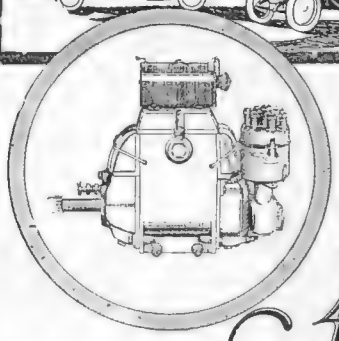

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HOLIDAYS for those whom the Inland Revenue authorities have left any cash balance are upon us, and those that intend to take their cars on the Continent will be pleased to hear, on the authority of the Royal Automobile Club, that the regular shipping service between Newhaven and Dieppe is now available. This route will be in operation three times weekly until July 28, after which there will be a daily service, including Sundays. As before the Great Calamity, the R.A.C. is offering advantages to members and associate members who desire to tour abroad. Under their scheme a club touring guide is in regular attendance at the port of Newhaven where he is at all times ready to provide assistance to every motorist displaying the R.A.C. badge on the car. One often used to hear of the "badge of servitude," but that is a thing of the past and has been changed by the motoring organisations to the badge "that serves." It is funny how we change things roundabout nowadays, but I am still waiting to be paid for driving certain motor-cars in place of having to pay extortionate sums to procure one. Still hope is a great thing, and who knows what may happen in the future?

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ANYWAY, lovers of the beauties of the countryside will heartily endorse the campaign which the R.A.C. is conducting, in conjunction with the Scapa Society for the suppression of unsightly advertisements. Already a large number of local authorities have decided to adopt the bye-laws available to them under the Advertisements Regulation Act, 1907, and many more are favourably considering the matter. It is interesting to note that these two bodies have recently made representations to upwards of 200 local councils and similar public institutions who have not exercised the powers accorded them by this Act. In the past the wayside placards disfigured the finest prospects as one motored on our roads, and anybody that can do anything to get them removed will deserve the thanks of the whole community. The tyre companies were amongst the chief offenders, but the war displaced a great number of them; but I regretfully noticed, in a recent run from London to Edinburgh, that the Ford Company had taken a great proportion of these ugly boards. I am sure that a firm like this, whose chief object has been to popularise the motor-car, needs only to have the matter placed before them in the proper light to withdraw them and save money at the same time. Perhaps the R.A.C. and the Scapa Society will take a hand in this. I often used to wonder whether Scapa was a surgical instrument or a soap, but in either case it seems a fit and proper title to cut or wash out objectionable features of our landscapes. More power to their elbow, say I, in the general clear up.

ROUMANIA'S CROWN PRINCE

About to descend from a machine at the Handley-Page Works, which he recently visited in company with Sir Henry and Lady Mainwaring. During his visit he made a flight over London

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EVERYBODY in the motor world is looking forward to see how the new Austin twenty will shape; but as a testimonial of character of the work turned out at Northfield in the past I think the record of the three units that formed the 1st Div. M.T. Coy of 21 Austin ambulances, that went through the whole war with the loss of only two cars in the four years, speaks volumes. This story is recorded in the current issue of the *Advocate*, a house journal produced for Austin car owners. It is related by Mr. Walter T. Highland, who was lately a mechanist staff sergeant in the 1st Div., and is of general public interest in some of its details, so I make no apologies for quoting it freely. "How to make a car sea-water proof," is my title for his yarn, and jolly useful it may prove to motorists generally in districts where splashes and such like obstacles are frequent. But with this slight introduction I will get on with his own tale. During the

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summer of 1917, it was proposed to take the whole of the Passchendaele Ridge and make a landing on the Belgian coast. Highland's Division was selected for the landing, and for three months, secrecy, isolation and hardship was their portion. "You can imagine my surprise on being asked if I could adapt the ambulances to run under their own power in to the sea, through shallow waterways and waterlogged country. I don't think there was a test under ordinary conditions they had not been through, coming out on top every time, but this was a corker. Nevertheless, we were determined on success.

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Most people would have thought us mad during our first trials in the sea. Ignition was very obstinate, but after a lot of experiment was made waterproof and leaks or short circuits were made impossible. Felt was fitted on the armature behind the coupling, crevices and cracks were rubbed and shellaced, and terminals and plugs were so insulated that it was possible to pour water on them without causing a misfire. At first we overlooked the small dust-hole in the base of the magneto, with the result that we had an hour's frolic nearly up to our necks in the sea, while the waves were threatening to turn the car over, though it was down to the footboards in the wet sand. It was impossible to jack up or get a car near enough to tow and the tide was on the turn. This made us think and act very quickly. By sheer brute force we got planks under the wheels, long ropes hitched on and every man pulling for all he was worth. After more experiment that difficulty (the dust-hole of the magneto) was beaten. During the trials the engine and carburetter played their part in the cussedness. On our first sea trip we shipped four gallons of water into the hold of the engine. Sea-water has a strange effect on plugs, and a kind of small jelly-fish formed on each. With felt washers and the attachment of chimneys we got over this. Very little water got past the tappets, and what did enter remained under the oil, so it was easily drained away afterwards. On our next trial only half a pint of water was shipped. The carburetter was practically enclosed in a chimney carried to the top of the bonnet. In case the cars ran into soft sand they were fitted with steel wire towing ropes attached to the rear axles and carried on to the front axle. It is the finest possible arrangement for towing as it lifts slightly the front of a ditched car." One of this crew, G. Masters, and his Austin Ambulance, won the only V.C. given to the M.T. during April, 1918, on the Béthune front. This man was Mr. Highland's first reinforcement in March, 1915, and drove the same car till he was demobbed in April this year. Eleven of the original drivers of this team drove right through the war on the Austin cars. *Some* record which shows what can be done by efficient handling under gruelling circumstances.

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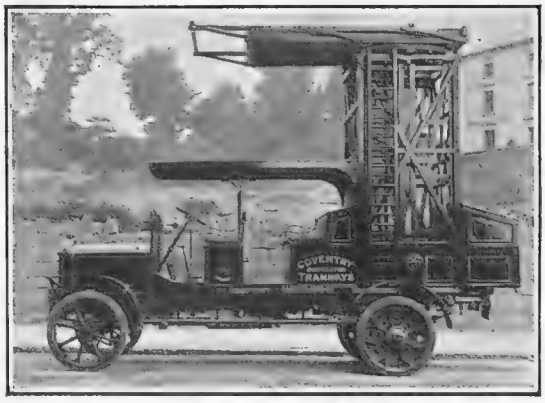

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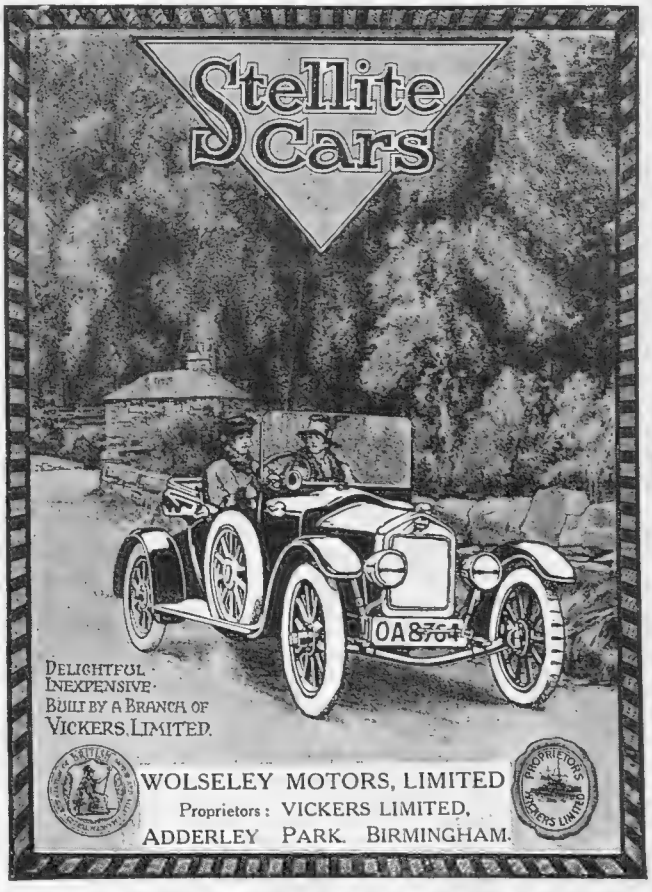

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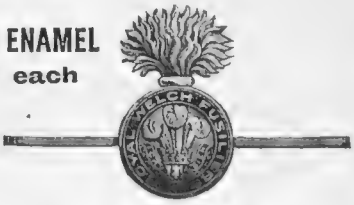

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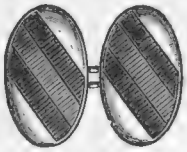

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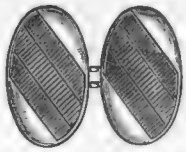

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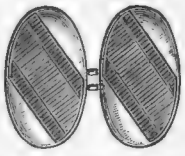

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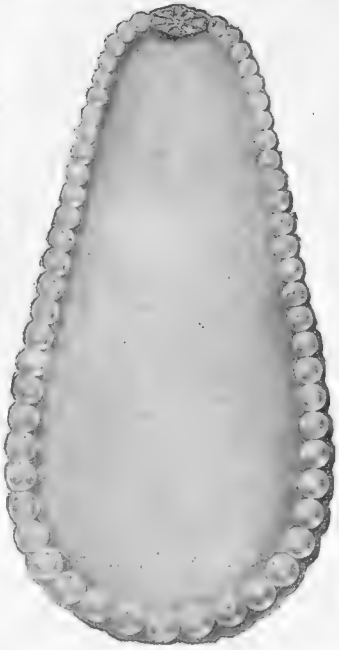

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FASHION'S FANCIES

BY MRS. JACK MAY

No, you are quite mistaken; I am not going to talk any more about the sales, save to pass the final remark that they have all proved of the utmost assistance to our sadly impoverished purses. There is some hope, however, that now the ramp has started the profiteering fraternity will be run to earth and stamped out of existence. It seems to me that they are a much more imminent and serious concern than the hanging of the ex-Kaiser. The prospect is not one to laugh over of having to return to woad or the proverbial fig-leaf, which seems to be the sole alternative, if prices of clothes continue at the present wickedly high rates.

Fashions in Furs

One understands why peltry has necessarily gone up, since the Eastern sources of supply have practically been closed for the past few years. The eggs in this market require to be broken with the utmost care, consequently clever subterfuges and plagiarisms worked up from strange weird skins, to which high-sounding names are given, are rampant. Nutria, for example, is to be deposed in favour of mouflonne. Although I cannot vouch for the accuracy, I am told mouflonne is goat, but it might equally be cat or rabbit, or any old thing. In appearance it resembles a sort of smoke fox, and Paris has written it down for exhaustive favour, chiefly as a trimming adjunct. So, needless to say, "Noreen" is foremost in presenting it to your notice in the cause of an advance autumn model here pictured.

AN ADVANCE AUTUMN MODEL

Trimmed with moufflonne fur and described in detail on this page

(Sketched by "Noreen")

There are a lot of important details to be noted in this particular scheme, primarily the very latest silhouette, which makes for a hip movement. With back and front equally flat, the sides blossom forth into panniers and frills and tucks; in fact, anything calculated to emphasise the decreed effect of width either side. Tucks have been chosen for the design under discussion, which is materialised in Virginia creeper red velours, on which mouflonne plays a conspicuous rôle. There is no mistaking the flat lines and straight appearance of the bodice, which terminates at a normal line, but which is given a certain slight indentation by the hip protuberance. And there you have the silhouette that is "it." The great roll-over collar, almost a cape, is similarly correct, and as with almost every model of any note, there is the touch of white organdi muslin presented in the guise of a small fill-up vest.

Returning to furs, a great authority was most impressive on the vogue of Kolinski monchet. That, again, is to be another "it," though just precisely what the appearance is I have yet to learn. However, those on the look-out for peltry novelties may like to investigate the character of this manœuvred Kolinski. Nutria, it is said, has had its day, anyway as a pelt in the front ranks as a

FASHION'S FANCIES (continued)

trimming; useful knockabouts coats of it may still be worn, many, doubtless, have a good second season's wear to work out, the wise administrator of a dress allowance figuring out a further career for such a possession as a lining.

Dying Models

THERE will, I fear, be moaning and, perchance, gnashing of teeth over the decree of the elect that cloaks are to go. It seems only the other day we were learning to wear these unusual wraps, getting the hang of them, so to say, to the expression of grace and elegance. And now they are to be whipped away from us; that is, if we agree to follow fashion slavishly, the which, of course, opens up a vein of interesting speculation, and one it would give me much pleasurable interest to enlarge upon, for I hold very strong opinions as to the dressing of personalities. But time presses, and I must pass on.

Holiday Blouse

EVERYTHING pertaining to holiday outfits is very much on the *tapis* just now. The useful all-in-one frock, for example, of navy serge for knockabout morning wear at the sea, coats and skirts for the country and Scotland, wrap-coats, sports dresses, *table d'hôte* gowns and blouses.

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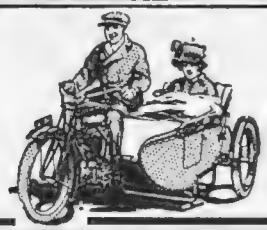

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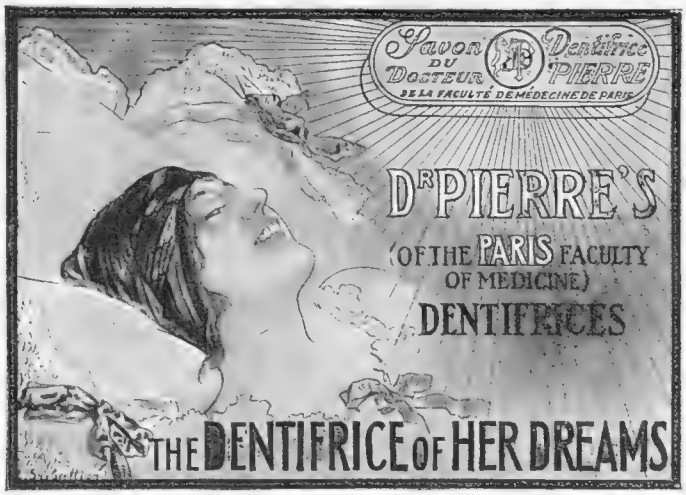

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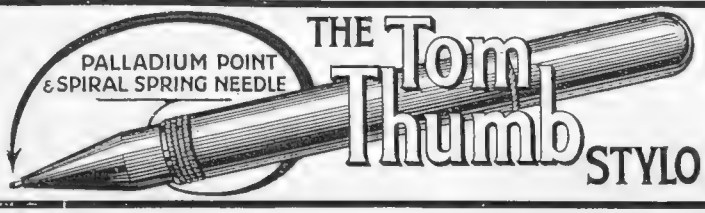

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at the top and black for the lower half; or the same idea, if preferred, can be carried out in any shade of *crêpe* chiffon and lace. Tangerine orange and black lace would go well with a black *charmeuse* skirt, while any existing possession in the shape of a coloured skirt could be picked up in the chiffon allied with parchment-tinted lace.

It is needless to comment on the originality of the other model with the quaint panniered movement below the waist. There is a certain shrimp-pink that if obtainable in Georgette, is what we should like for this dainty thing, with an elongated diamond-shaped piece of silvered embroidery let in in front, and a girdle of parti-coloured silk and chiffon flowers, a similar decoration finishing the *décolletage*, and carried round the edge of the deep-pointed collar at the back. With such persuasively pretty upper parts as these the skirt becomes a mere incident.

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Popular Chemical Dictionary

We understand that Mr. C. T. Kingzett, F.I.C., the chairman of the Sanitas Company, Ltd., and who was one of the original founders of the Institute of Chemistry, is preparing for early publication, by Messrs. Boulliere, Tindall and Cox, London, an abridged "Popular Chemical Dictionary" in a single volume. Apart from the educative value of such a production, including its use in schools and Public Libraries, it should be of great service as a work of reference not only to practical chemists but also to brokers, dealers, and business men generally.

A July Sale

Messrs. Robinson and Cleaver's July sale catalogue has just come to hand. The sale has been going on throughout the month, but the present week and next are, from the customer's point of view, the most important, because during the last week of the sale there will be special reductions. Anyone in need of Irish linen, table cloths, sheets and towels, *lingerie* and baby linen, blouses, frocks, hosiery and gloves, or men's wear, cannot do better than pay a visit to Messrs. Robinson and Cleaver, the Linen Hall, Regent Street, W.1.

To ex-R.F.A. Officers

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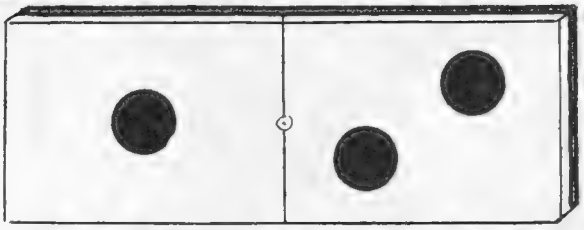

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Peel some bananas, cut them in halves, put them into a basin and sprinkle over them a little white wine and a little chopped lemon peel. Sprinkle over with castor sugar, and let them remain for an hour. Dip each piece in frying batter, and fry in boiling lard till a golden colour, take them out, drain, dust with sugar, and serve very hot.

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Black cherries are the best. The stalks should be kept on and they should be tied together in bunches of three or four. The batter for these should be made with a ¼ lb. of flour, a quarter of a pint of cold water, one tablespoonful of salad oil or cream, the yolks of two eggs, and the whites stiffly whipped and one tablespoonful of castor sugar. When all these ingredients are mixed into a smooth batter, add the whipped whites of the eggs last. Dip the cherries into the batter and fry them in hot fat, being careful to keep them as rocky in appearance as possible. When cooked, sprinkle a little castor sugar, and powdered cinnamon over them, and serve hot.

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Take about six medium sized tomatoes, cut out the little core at the top, but do not skin them, as it makes them break. Cut in halves and cook them in a tin in the oven in margarine or butter for about ten minutes. Take them out and put them aside. Have a batter made of 1 oz. of flour, into which stir the stiffly whipped white of an egg, two tablespoonfuls of milk or cream, about half a teaspoonful of very finely-chopped onion or shallot, two tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, and a little salt and white pepper. Stir these well together in a basin and put each piece of tomato in the batter until well coated with it. Have some boiling lard in a frying pan and fry each fritter until a golden brown. Take out of the pan, shake some grated cheese over each and send up very hot. This is a delicious savoury. The quantities quoted will make twelve fritters.

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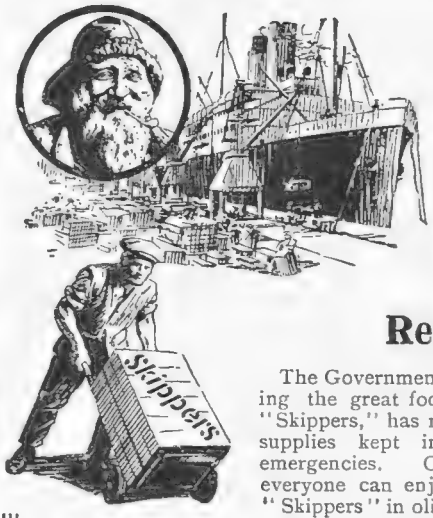

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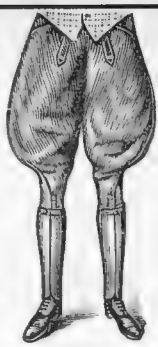

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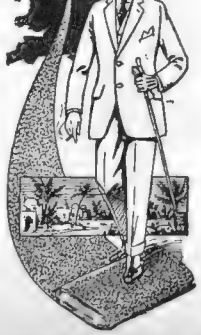

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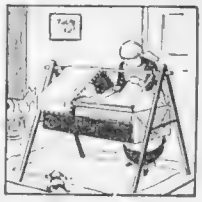

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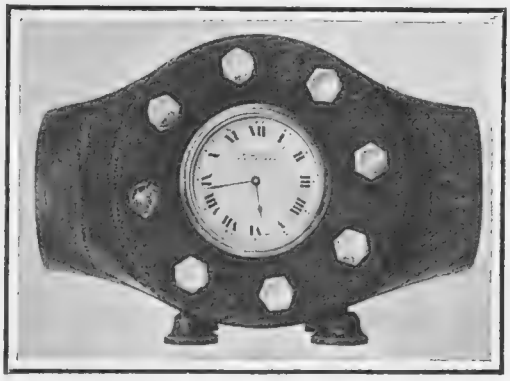

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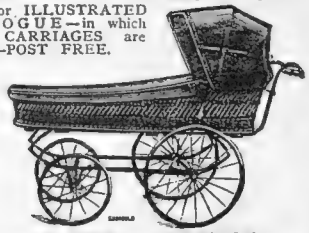

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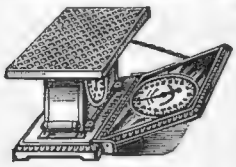

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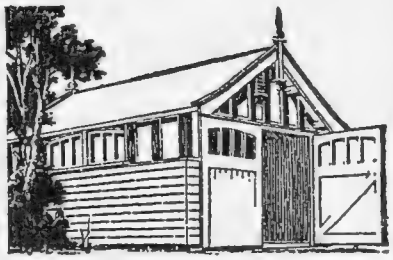

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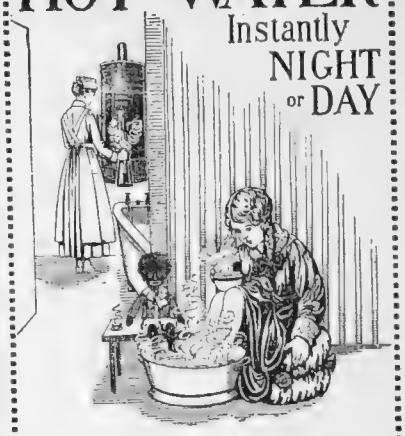

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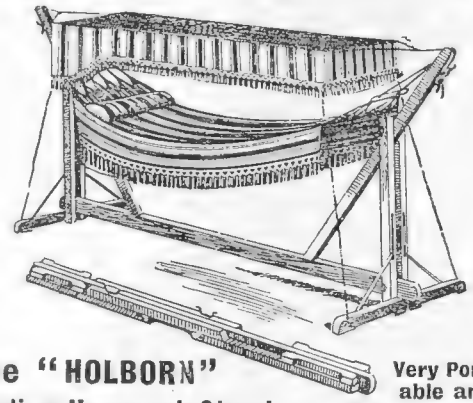

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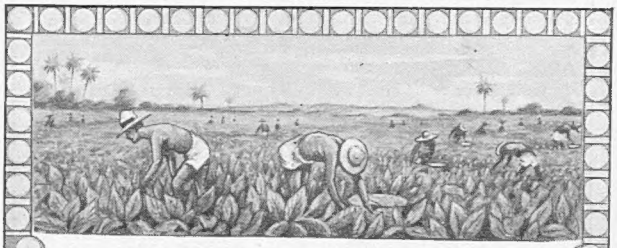

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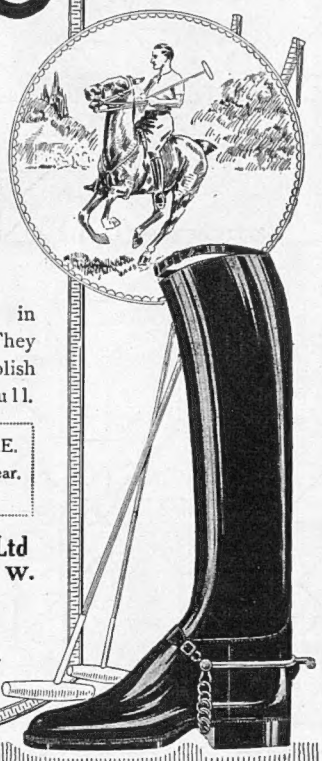

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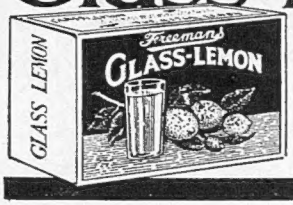

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